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## THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

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### The Presidency.

No sooner has the president elect taken his station, and while the oath of office is yet fresh upon his lips, the politicians are on the alert for the next candidate. And as time rolls on, and but a single year intervenes, the hue and cry of the whippers-in becomes more vehement.

The aspirants for this most honorable and responsible position, unlike angel's visits, which are said to be "few and far between," would form a very respectable regiment—in point of numbers, and their claims are urgently enunciated by friends and backers. The merits of this one and the demerits of the other never appeared so vividly before, while the Dear People are exhorted and beseeched to lend their aid and votes in furtherance of the great object in view. Just now the military men seem to have the inside, and a number of our prominent generals have been suggested as suitable persons to fill the place once occupied by the illustrious Washington. The New York *Herald*, after advocating the interests of some half dozen, more or less, has settled upon Gen. Grant, and gives him the benefit (?) of a number of articles daily until the general, in despair, writes to his friends in that city to try and hush it up. Then some of the democratic journals are trying to resurrect Little Mac from the hopeless pit of oblivion into which he has fallen, with about as much success as the "Second Napoleon" himself had in managing the Army of the Potomac. It undoubtedly demands talent to manage an army and to conduct a campaign, but perhaps not the same as required of a statesman. A man may be a good shoemaker, and execute his work in a very satisfactory manner both to himself and patrons, yet it does not follow that he would succeed equally as well as a physician, or that he would be justified in leaving his awl and lapstone for the more laborious and apparently more honorable position of a practicioner in the healing art. Nor should it be considered as a reward for meritorious conduct in the field. Something more fitting and suitable could be found than the chief magistracy of a republic, and avoiding a dangerous precedent, which might, in scheming and unprincipled hands, prove destructive to our liberties as a nation.

We are in the midst of a long and protracted struggle of three year's duration. An immense amount of blood and treasure has been sacrificed, until recently with seemingly little results. Our prospects now are much brighter and the "confederacy" is on its last legs, financially and politically. A policy has been set forth by the government, and its plans laid for future guidance. Who so fitted to carry out these plans and execute these measures as the man who originated them? That man is ABRAHAM LINCOLN, "Honest Old Abe," as we still delight to call him. Though we might not agree in every particular with his ideas, and it would be strange if we did, yet we must admit, as a whole, his views are well grounded and mainly correct. And we are in favor of letting him continue the work he has begun. His has has been the heat and burden of the day, and his should be the glorious repose, amid a great people's homage, after its prolonged toils are over.

Robert Bonner, esq., of the New York *Ledger*, pronounces the story that he returned "no income" to the U. S. Assessor a libel, destitute of any foundation in truth; says he has paid his regular income tax, and that it is larger than is paid by the publisher of any other weekly newspaper in the United States.

The creation of a special committee of the House of Representatives, with Mr. Spaulding as its chairman, "to consider the subject of a national bankrupt act," is regarded as a hopeful sign by the advocates of that measure.

Att'y Gen. Cole, now in Washington, has, on motion of Mr. Sherman, been admitted to practice at the bar of the supreme court of the United States.

### The Atlantic Monthly for 1864.

We know of no better commendation for this excellent magazine than the following paragraphs from an excellent critic, which we here re-produce:

"The thirteenth volume of this able American periodical begins the January number. Steadily increasing in popularity, since its present publishers, Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, assumed its management, it has now a circulation greater than that ever reached by any American magazine of its class, and numbers among its regular contributors such names as Longfellow, Hawthorne, Emerson, Bryant, Agassiz, Holmes, Lowell, Harrriet Beecher Stowe, Whittier, and others scarcely less eminent. Its stereotyped volumes are a valuable repository of original papers on a very great variety of subjects, and its monthly issues have a genuine freshness and fitness to the hour. If it is a good test, as it certainly is, of the standing of magazines that it attracts and introduces new writers, the names of Higginson, of Gail Hamilton, and of the lamented Winthrop, are evidence enough of what the *Atlantic* has thus accomplished. Nor can a better proof be given of the popular estimation in which it is held than the demand for a publication in separate volumes of many of the serial papers that first appeared in its pages, such as 'The Autocrat,' 'Elsie Venner,' Agassiz' 'Methods of Study in Natural History,' 'The Minister's Wooing,' 'Life in the Open Air,' 'Agnes of Sorrento,' 'Out-Door Papers,' Thoreau's 'Excursions,' Whittier's 'In War Time,' and others.

"As among the chiefest merits of the *Atlantic*, also, let us not forgot that it has honestly held and freely declared its own opinions, on other than literary questions, and that while it has won for itself in literature a position which no other American magazine has reached, it has consistently spoken true words for Liberty and Progress. In the present crisis through which the country is passing, every intelligent American should know what influence such minds as those of the contributors to the *Atlantic* are exerting upon the progress of humanity."

### Wilson's Series of School Readers.

We are indebted to Prof. W. T. Hatch, local agent at Prescott, for a complete set of these valuable readers, comprising five and a primer, from the press of Harper Bros. We have given them, as yet, but a cursory examination, still we are convinced of their superior merits as a school book. The plan of the author was to incorporate instruction with amusement; hence we find short and comprehensive articles on botany, physiology, ichthyology, architecture, natural philosphy, chemistry, geology, history, physical geography, etc., interspersed with interesting miscellaneous reading and numerous poetical selections from the best authors; the whole composing a book of the highest order, an encyclopedia of convenient form, worthy of a place in every household. We know of none more desirable for family reading, outside of schools, than these, and we recommend parents to procure a set for their children. They are well finished, neatly bound, and embellished with an abundance of pictorial illustrations. For any information apply to the above, at Prescott, Wis.

### The 2d Regiment Re-Enlisting.

By a dispatch from Lieut. Col. Bishop, commanding this regiment, to Adjt. Gen. Malmros, published in the St. Paul papers, it seems that eight companies of the 2d Minn. Regiment, now at Chattanooga, Tenn., have re-enlisted, and may be expected home on furloughs of thirty-five or forty days. If the muster-rolls are promptly forwarded, the men will be accredited to the several towns whence they originally came. These brave boys will receive a hearty welcome from friends at home.

New playing cards are spoken of, the pictures on which are to be taken from the forms and faces of men who have distinguished themselves in the war. Eminent contractors will sit for the knaves.

Rock Island is becoming quite an important post. There are at present over 5,000 rebel prisoners confined there, and the number is constantly increasing. They are guarded by two regiments of soldiers.

Elsewhere may be found the prospectus of the Milwaukee *Sentinel*, one of the oldest and best papers in Wisconsin. We commend it to those wishing a reliable paper from that city.

For the Conserver.

### Little Charlie.

Dear sister, we weep when the Angel of Death
In his cold icy arms our sweet cherubs entwines,
And all our fond hopes in his pitiless breath
Are blasted and gone, like the fruit of the vine.
We weep—and 't is well, for the parent's fond heart
Else would burst, as it bleeds 'neath the pitiless dart.

We weep—and we well might with anguish bewail
The home circle riven, our loved ones laid low;
If beyond life's short vision, time's sorrowing vale,
No morn should awake with its promising bow.
But beyond this dark river, with its surging chill wave,
Is a land of bright glory—Hope springs from the grave.

Yes, we are immortal, thy Charlie shall wake;
Like the flowers in spring time that winter hath slain.
When that morn long predicted on the ages shall break,
And the Savior shall come in his glory again.
Shall awake, and with seraphs that shine round the throne,
May he welcome thee, Mary, to his own happy home.

The earth may seem gloomy—one light passed away,
That beamed on thy pathway its radience of love.
One flower has been snatched from thy life's sweet bouquet,
And planted by God in his garden above.
Yes, brother and sister, thy Charlie has gone
To sing with bright angels around the white throne.

Then lay up your treasures, dear friends, in that home,
Where Charlie has gone, that home of the pure,
Where rust ne'er corrodes, and thieves never come;
For the soul is immortal—must ever endure,
Must live while God lives, with the angels above,
Or wail in its anguish lost offers of love.

O! resolve by that cherub that's garnered in heaven,
By the lovel ones that cluster around you here still,
By your hopes of reunion, by the grace that is given,
By your own hopes of glory where cherubims dwell,
Resolve to live holy while life shall remain,
And then 'mid the angels meet Charlie again.

S. W. PAUL.

Hastings, Dec. 27, 1863.

### Sen. Wade's Bill.

Senator Wade has introduced the following bill in congress to prevent the occurrence of such cases as Senator Hale's in future:

"No member of the Senate or of the House of Representatives of the United States shall, during his continuance in office, hereafter appear or act as counsel, attorney or agent, in an case or proceeding, civil, criminal, military or naval, or before any commission in which the United States is a party, or directly or indirectly interested, or receive any compensation of any kind directly or indirectly for services of any description rendered by himself or another in relation to any such cause or proceeding; and no member of the Senate or House of Representatives shall, during his continuance in office, receive or agree to receive any compensation whatever, directly or indirectly for any services rendered to another person either by himself or another in relation to any proceeding, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest, or any matter or thing in which the United States is a party, or directly, or indirectly interested, before any department, bureau, office for any civil, military, or naval commission, whatsoever; and any person offending against any provision of this act shall, on conviction thereof, be declared guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by a fine of not less than —— dollars, and by imprisonment of not less than —— years, and shall be forever incapable of holding any office of honor, trust, or profit under the government of the United States."

A MAD WHALE.—The New Bedford (Mass.) *Mercury* has the following in reference to an encounter with a mad whale:

Capt. Hagar, of the bark Tropic Bird, which arrived at this port on the 20th inst., says, while on the western ground, on the 1st of October, he lowered two boats for a lone whale. Each of these succeeded in putting an iron into the monster, but were soon after struck and stove in pieces by him, when one of the boatsteerers, Mr. Reed, of Dartmouth, was drowned. Noticing the situation of the boat's crews, the captain at once moved to their assistance with the bark, when the whale angrily attacked the latter, striking her under the quarter. As he passed along the side of the vessel, Capt. Hager threw a lance at him, which so infuriated the whale that he turned at once and again struck the bark under the bow, tearing off the copper, and causing her to tremble from stem to stern. Night soon came on, and the leviathan was seen no more.

The Boston *Commercial Bulletin* humorously apologizes for omitting to mention among the lists of failures that of Messers. Bragg, Longstreet, & Co., who have been doing a heavy Tennessee business lately. The senior partner of the concern, has, we understand, not only been enable to meet his engagement, but has fled the country.

There are more gamblers in Washington at present than there have been at any time within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. Within fifteen minutes walk of Willard's there are not less than twenty first class establishments, where money is lost and won in thousands nightly—principally lost, so far as outsiders are concerned. So says the correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial*.

The prospectus of the St. Paul *Press*, the best newspaper in the state, may be found elsewhere. We commend it to our readers.

### The Dinner to Schuyler Colfax.

Samuel Wilkinson, esq., of the New York *Times*, presided at the "press dinner," given to Speaker Colfax, and made the opening speech from which we take the following extracts:

"Eighteen years ago, at one o'clock of a winter moon-lighted morning, while the horses of the stage-coach in which I was plowing the thick mud of Indiana, were being changed at the tavern in South Bend, I walked the foot-way of the principal street to shake off a great weariness. I saw a light through a window. A sign, "The Register," was legible above it, and I saw through the window a man in his shirt sleeves walking quickly about like one that worked. I paused, and looked, and imagined about the man, and about his work, and about the lateness of the hour for which it was protracted; and I wondered if he was in debt, and was struggling to get out, and if his wife was expecting him and had lighted a new candle for his coming, and if he was very tired. A coming step interrupted this idle dreaming. When the walker reached my side I joined him, and as he went I asked him questions, and naturally they were about the workman in his shirt sleeves. 'What sort of a man is he?' 'He is very good to the poor; he works hard; he is sociable with all people; he pays his debts; he doesn't drink whiskey; folks depend on him; all this part of Indiana believes in him." From that day to this I have never taken up the South Bend *Register* without thinking of this eulogy, and envying the man who had justly entitled himself to it in the dawn of his manhood.

"That man when 25 years of age, and again when 29 years old, was sent by his neighbors to the national presidential conventions—when 27 years old he was sent by his neighbors as a wise political reformer to the constitutional convention of the state of Indiana—was sent by the same neighbors to congress in the year 1854, and kept there from that day to this. On the first Monday of this month of December the republicans of the House of Representatives unanimously elected him speaker of that body."

THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION.—It is perhaps, pretty generally understood in this city that I am engraving a fac-simile of the President's Emancipation Proclamation for popular distribution. I intend that it shall be done in the best style of the art, that I may make this interesting and historical national work a medium of profit and employment to those of our gallant soldiers who have been disabled in the service, and the widows of those who have laid down their lives in defending the national cause. The proclamation will be twenty five by twenty-eight, with an appropriate border, and the price per single copy will be one dollar. I propose, however, to deliver it to the above named classes exclusively at the rate of fity cents per copy—thus affording, as I believe, a convenient and certain means of present comfort and support, at the same time facilitate the rapid distribution among the people of the most important and popular document ever promulgated by the executive of this nation. The work will be ready for distribution about the 5th day of December next. Newspapers favoring this project are respectfully requested to give this notice an insertion. One copy of the proclamation will be forwarded to each office giving the same one insertion and forwarding a copy of the paper containing the notice. All persons of the description above named, desiring to avail themselves of this offer, will address S. Whittier, Chicago, Ill., P. O. box 5294.

Chicago, Nov. 28, 1863.

There is a wonderful Hindoo chess player at present in London. He plays three games blindfolded, and wins. At the same time he plays a game of cards, and wins. During the game a bell is touched every one or two seconds and he gives the number of times it has been touched. A man stands behind and throws little pebbles one by one against his back; these too he counts. And after the games are over, and all these are told, he recites in perfect rhyme, a poem, which he has composed during the sitting.

An universalist clergymen of Wisconsin, who has recently returned home from a term of service as chaplain to a regiment in the army of the Cumberland, spoke at a town meeting the other day, and in the course of his remarks touched on the atrocious barbarities of the rebels. "My friends," he said, "I have always preaced to you against any such institution as hell, or future punishment, but my experience within the last few months has modified my opinion somewhat; I believe there s a hell provided for those wicked devils as a *military necessity*.

The Massachusetts tobacco crop for the year has proved a great success, both in quantity and quality. The farmers are coming to regard tobacco as one of the staple crops, and at present prices no other crop compares with it in profits.

Hitherto, water has been so scarce at Washington that the congressmen have had to slake their thirst with whiskey. But the Potomac furnishes the city with water now, and there will be enough for all.


## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

P. B. COOK,

Auction and Commission Merchant, Lowell's old stand, Second Street, Hastings, Minn. Cash advances on consignments. Cash paid for Woolen and Cotton Rags, and for Hides and furs. Sales attended in any part of the county on short notice. Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

C. W. ROBACK, compounder of Stomach Bitters, Blood Purifier and Blood Pills, and distiller and manufacturer of Catawba and Swedish Brandies and all kinds of the finest Domestic Liquors which are sold, wholesale or in any desired quantity, at Nos. 56, 58, 60, and 62 East Third Street, Cincinnati, O. 39-tf

ESTRAY.—TAKEN UP BY THE SUBscriber, on or about Dec. 14th, 1863, one OX, all red with star in forehead, about five years old. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take him away.

H. D. COUNTRYMAN.

Nininger, Jan. 1, 1864. 89-3t*

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W. P. STANLEY,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

Books, Stationery, Wall Paper,

*TOYS, AND YANKEE NOTIONS.*

Agent for the celebrated Florence Sewing Machine and Prince & Son's Melodeons. Hastings, Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

AMERICAN COFFEE SEED.

Walker & Co.

Have procured the Central American Coffee Seed, which is well adapted to the North-Western states. It will cost but 3 to 5 cents per pound to raise it. We have raised it for three years with good success, and are now able to supply the public with the seed. Every farmer should raise his own coffee.

PRICE.—One paper 25 cents, three papers 50 cents, seven papers $1. Any person sending $2 or more will receive one paper extra for each dollar. All packages sent free of postage on receipt of the money. Address M. T. RICH, Red Wing, Minn,

*** Editors giving the above two or three insertions, including this notice, will receive ten papers on sending marked copy to M. T. Rich, Red Wing, Minn. 39-2t

BANK OF THOMPSON BROS.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1863.

S. U. 5-20'S.

The secretary of the treasury has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular loan from sale at par, and, until ten day's notice is given, the undersigned, as general subscription agent, will continue to supply the public.

The whole amount of the loan authorized is five hundred millions of dollars. Nearly four hundred millions have been already subscribed for and paid into the treasury, mostly within the last seven months. The large demand from abroad, and the rapidly increasing home demand for use as the basis for circulation by national banking associations now organizing in all parts of the country, will, in a very short period, absorb the balance. Sales have lately ranged from ten to fifteen millions weekly, frequently exceeding three millions daily, and as it is well known that the secretary of the treasury has ample and unfailing resources in the duties on imports and internal revenues, and in the issue of the interest bearing legal tender treasury notes, it is almost a certainty that he will not find it necessary, for a long time to come, to seek a market for any other long or permanent loan, the interest and principal of which are payable in GOLD.

Prudence and self interest must force the minds of those contemplating the formation of national banking associations, as well as the minds of all who have idle money on their hands, to the prompt conclusion that they should lose no time in subscribing to this most popular loan. It will soon be beyond their reach, and advance to a handsome premium, as was the result with the "seven-thirty" loan, when it was all sold and could no longer be subscribed for at par.

It is a six per cent loan, the interest and principal payable in coin, thus yielding over nine per cent per annum at the present rate of premium on coin.

The government requires all duties on imports to be paid in coin; these duties have for a long time past amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars daily, a sum nearly three times greater than that required in the payment of the interest on all the 5-20's and other permanent loans. So that it is hoped that the surplus coin in the treasury, at no distant day, will enable the United States to resume specie payments upon all liabilities.

The loan is called 5-20 from the fact that whilst the bonds may run for 20 years yet, the government has a right to pay them off in gold at par, at any time after 5 years. The interest is paid half-yearly, viz.: on the first days of November and May.

Subscribers can have coupon bonds, which are payable to bearer, and are $50, $100, $500, and $1,000; or registered bonds of same denominations, and, in addition, $5,000 and $10,000. For banking purposes and for investments of trust-moneys the registered bonds are preferable.

These 5-20's cannot be taxed by states, cities, towns, or counties, and the government tax on them is only one and a half per cent on the amount of income, when the income of the holder exceeds six hundred dollars per annum; all other investments, such as income from mortgages, railroad stock and bonds, etc., must pay from three to five per cent on the income.

Banks and Bankers throughout the country will continue to dispose of the bonds; and all orders by mail or otherwise promptly attended to.

The inconvenience of a few delay in the delivery of the bonds is unavoidable, the demand being so great; but as interest commences from the first day of subscription, no loss is occasioned, and exertion is being made to diminish the delay.

JAY COOKE, Subscription Agt.,
THOMPSON BROS., Sub Agents, St. Paul.
38-2m

OLD PAPERS, SUITABLE FOR WRAPpers, for sale at this office at 50 cents per hundred. IRVING TODD.

Sept. 22, 1863.


## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

**P. O. Notice.--Winter Arrangement.**

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.

WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

COUNTY BOARD.—The county commissioners meet in their rooms in county building to-day.

BIG THING.—That new fence around the public square. We notice that a portion of it has become completely tired out and lain down to rest.

PUB. DOCS.—We are indebted to Hon. I. DONNELLY for valuable public documents, for which he will please except our thanks.

WHEAT.—But little of this staple has come in the past few weeks, and prices are ranging rather low. It will probably be more lively the present month.

EPIPHANY.—Wednesday of this week being the festival of the Epiphany, there will be the usual services in St. Luke's Church at 10 o'clock in the morning.

ANDREWS has been busily employed for several weeks past in making holiday gifts to order, which he executed in superior style and to general satisfaction. Several of them were very valuable.

FOR 1864.—See new advertisement of STANLEY'S, in another column. He still holds forth at the old stand with a better stock than ever. The Dakota Bookstore on Ramsey Street is getting to be quite an institution.

NEW GOODS.—NEWMAN is receiving large additions to his stock of dry goods by express, of the latest styles and newest fashions. Call in and examine his assortment. Store in Union Block, Second Street.

VALUABLE.—We are informed that Rev. C. S. LE DUC found a green lining in a pair of gloves hung on the Christmas tree, to the value of $60. A very acceptable present, and one which was appreciated by the worthy pastor.

JEWELRY of the latest patterns at MACOMBER'S, at reasonable prices, and warranted. Repairing and engraving done to order, on short notice, in approved style. On Second Street, nearly opposite Tremont House. Call and see.

CLOTHING.—It is said that Santa Claus, before leaving town on his late visit, stopped at PRATT'S and purchased a new suit in place of his old one, which had become somewhat worn and soiled. He showed his good taste in that respect. Go thou and do likewise.

SICKNESS.—Owing to the changeable state of the weather, there has been an unparalelled amount of sickness this winter, principally scarlet and typhoid fevers. Many, especially children, are or have been dangerously ill. Our doctors, as a general thing, have been full of business.

STOP THIEF.—There is an extraordinary amount of petty thieving going on in town—peoples' wood piles and clothes lines suffer, and numerous little things disappear as if by magic. Somebody will get into the calaboose before spring if they are not extremely careful.

PERSONAL.—E. A. LITTLEFELD, esq., of the Goodhue *Republican*, and several of his friends were in town last Saturday enjoying themselves finely in spite of the cold weather. Red Wing has just some of the best "boys" in the world, and we hope they will call around often and stay longer.

HYMENEAL.—By reference to our list under the head of married, it will be seen that the Baptists are not having all the fun, but other denominations are coming in for their share. We wish our young friends peace, plenty, prosperity, and lots of other things, without having long to *Waite*.

ENLISTED.—Among the volunteers from this city is "Capt." JOHN PITCHER, an old settler. Notwithstanding his age—having served in the war of 1812—and the fact of his two sons being in the Third Regiment he again takes up arms in support of his country. Good luck to him.

NOTICE.—The funeral sermon of JAMES HOYT, late of the 3d Regiment, who died of small pox in St. Louis, will be preached at the Methodist Church next Sunday morning at the usual hour. All are invited to pay the last token of respect to the remains of a brave soldier.

J. H. ETHERIDGE, esq., an old resident, has charge of the telegraph office in this city.

NEW YEARS' DAY passed off very quietly, it being too cold for comfort or enjoyment. The mercury ran down as far as it could, or it would have been much colder. 36° and 40° below zero has been the programme for a few days back. "The oldest inhabitant" was observed rubbing his ears and fingers, and complaining bitterly of the unusual congeniality of the atmosphere.

TOWN BOUNTIES.—In order to increase the number of voluntary enlistments and thereby fill the quotas, several towns in this county are offering bounties, independent of and in addition to the government bounty. Empire City offers $100, Marshan $126, and Lakeville $230 to recruits. Other towns perhaps have done the same, of which we have not been informed.

A CARD.—The undersigned would hereby thankfully acknowledge the receipt of a letter at the hands of Mr. O. JUDKINS containing the handsome sum of $30 as a "New Years' present." To the several donors, I make my *politest bow*, wishing them a pleasant New Year and a long and happy life.

T. M. GOSSARD.

Hastings, Jan. 1st, 1863.

OUR CAVALRY COMPANY.—The company which went from here into the 2d cavalry has been organized, and ranks as F in the regiment. The officers elect, so far as we have learned, are as follows:

Captain—T. M. SMITH.
1st Lieut.—E PARLIMAN.
2d Lieut.—ISAAC N. VAN DOREN.
1st Sergeant—A. H. TRUAX.

It numbers eighty one men.

FREE LECTURES.—Prof. C. S. POWERS, recently from New England, who has appeared with great success in a number of our Western towns, will give a series of free lectures on Sarcognomy, at Teutonia Hall, commencing this—Tuesday—night. From the very favorable notices of the Press we judge that they will prove most interesting and entertaining. All are invited to attend. There will be no contributions taken up.

THE LADY'S FRIEND.—The first—January—number of a new serial with the above title is on our table. It is a monthly magazine of literature and fashion, and, as its name imports, is designed particularly for ladies. The publishers offer, as a particular inducement to subscribers, to give one of Wheeler & Wilson's celebrated sewing machines, retailed for $45, to any person sending thirty subscriptions and $60. A fine opportunity for one of small means to procure a household necessity. Terms, 1 copy $2, two copies $3, four copies $6, eight copies, and one to getter up of club, $12, one copy each of the *Lady's Friend* and the *Saturday Evening Post* $3. Address DEACON & PETERSON, No. 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

SATURDAY EVENING POST.—We notice that Messrs. DEACON & PETERSON, proprietors of this paper, "the oldest and best of the weeklies," have issued their prospectus for 1864—which paper is in its *forty-third* year; they announce that they design maintaining for their weekly the high character it has already acquired as a first class literary paper. The excellent and popular writers of the *Post*, during the past year, will continue to contribute the ensuing, and in January will be commenced a new novel by Mrs. WOOD, called "Oswold Gray." In addition to the stories written expressly for the *Post*, the editor lays before his readers the best stories from English periodicals, with selections of news, receipts, agricultural matters, markets, etc. Terms—cash in advance—$2 per annum; two copies, $3; eight copies, $12, with an extra copy for the getter up of the club. One copy of the *Post* and one of the *Lady's Friend*—a new monthly magazine—$3. Address, DEACON & PETERSON, 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

### MARRIED.

On the 1st inst. by Rev. T. M. Gossard, Mr. EDWARD R. WAITE and Miss BELLE J. PATCH, both of Hastings.

On the 1st inst. by the Rev. T. M. Gossard, Mr. GEO. A. TORRANCE, of Hastings, and Miss BELLE A. LEONARD, of Cottage Grove, Minn.

On the 30th ult., by Rev. T. M. Gossard, Mr. ARGETSINGER and Miss SARAH L. KNAPP, both of Ravenna, Minn.

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

—We clip from the New York *Tribune* the following sensible hints to recruits, and worthy their serious consideration:

"A good soldier needs health, discipline, courage, and a high moral tone. His food should be well prepared and eaten at regular intervals. A sudden change of diet should be avoided if possible. Liquors should not be used as a beverage. Tea is better than coffee; pure water filtered or boiled is the best drink. Sponge the body two or three times a week with soap and water. Bathe the feet before and after a march in salt water; it will prevent soreness and swelling. Avoid as much as possible getting chilled and wet. Never sit on the damp ground. Keep your clothes whole, clean and dry, particularly your socks, and wear the flannel army-belt. Put in your knapsack a few good books, extra army-belt, extra shirt and socks, a towel, sponge, fine comb, tooth and clothes brushes, camp knife, sewing materials, stationery, stamps, and a small box of medicines. A larger number of men die of sickness caused by ignorance or carelessness, than are killed upon the field of battle. Always keep cheerful and hope for the best, whether sick or well, and whether crowned with present success or not. Be apt and painstaking at every drill. Keep by you and study carefully some manual of tactics. Make it a point to love your profession, particularly the daily drill, to enthusiasm. Discharge every duty with your utmost ability for promptness and skill. You are good for nothing without courage. Men, or rather an apology for men, who run or huddle together like sheep, are almost sure to get killed. Look the enemy boldly in the face. Do not die before you are killed, through fear of death. The bullet may not be run that is to hit you. If you live to return, you will be honored; if you fall, 'tis noble to die for one's country. Avoid the vices of the camp as you would a pestilence, especially drinking, profane swearing, Sabbath-breaking, and card-playing. Never take what is not your own, even from the enemy. Do not squander your money, but send it home regularly for the benefit of yourself or friends. Have but little in your pockets, particularly on the field of battle. Obey your officers, be kind to your fellow-soldiers, and humane to all. Be a hero, a courteous christian soldier. 'Put your trust in God, and keep your powder dry.'"

—The following extract from the La Crosse *Democrat* shows how Brick Pomeroy and some other people spend Sunday night:

"To day is Saturday—to night is Saturday night—to morrow will be Sunday—after that comes *Sunday nig'ht!* Good! *good*! This is what the girls say when counting time to see when their "fellars" are to visit them and help build air castles—never to be occupied. To-morrow will be Sunday, after to morrow is dead and laid out in its black shroud, with the stars to guard and watch, Sunday night will come. Fix up the parlor—kindle the fire there early so it will be warm, fill the kerosene lamp to the brim, see that the blinds or curtains are a fit, place the chairs at regular intervals about the room like pickets, smooth the silken hair over the brow, and *wait!* A step! Ah! my little girl—you know whose step. The heart trembles like a little bird—the eye wanders from object to object, and then to your own dear self. A rap on the door—a timid little rap. And you pretend not to hear it, though if it were made with a feather you would have heard. Another rap—ah! by hard harking you distinguished the sound. Singular! And how surprised you are to hesure! Never dreamed of his coming! Take care little one! Eyes talk louder than do lips. The parlor looks cheery. Two of the pickets are called in from the sides of the room. Of course your guest must be entertained. Time flies—the clock in the other room ticks away the moments—its hands slowly crawl up as if to see over the door—the fire burns and crackles in its prison—the old folks file off to bed to wonder what you are talking about, and to think of their sparking days—the clock talks its take care, take care! *take care!* now loud, then low; but your lips will meet and linger on the brink of love's fountain. The times are hard. The lamp wastes oil. What a pretext for economy! It is turned down. Of course you cannot see as plain till the chairs come closer together. Hark! the faithful old clock, with its hands over its face so as not to see, says "take care!" but the hands will wander, the lips will meet, the eyes will go down into each other's mystic depths, lit by the purest of diamonds; and you wish that time did not fly so fast. The wood box is empty! the solid glass has drank down the oil most wonderfully, the wick looks as if drenched in poverty—the mirky morn peeps in through the crevices—with rumpled hair and mussed bosom to your shirt, you wonder where the hours have fled. Listen! the old clock says louder than ever, "take care," "take care;" but again do you sip nectar from the ruby oval cup—your hands and eyes speak what the lips have not time to, and out on the old ocean of time, gone is SUNDAY NIGHT!"

—Our readers will recollect a short time ago we published a characteristic essay by Josh Billings on the white pig. Here is its companion, on the mule:

"The mule is half hoss and half jackass, and then comes a full stop, natur diskovering her mistake. Tha weigh more ackording to their heft than any other kreetur except a crowbar. Tha kant hear any quicker nor any further than the hoss, yet their ears are long enough for snow shoes. You can trust them with enny one whose life ain't worth more than the mules'. The only wa to keep them into a paster is to turn them into the medderow jinein, and let them jump out. Tha are reddy for use just as soon as tha will to abuse. Tha haint gout any more friends than a Chatham Street Ju, and will live on huckleberry baush, with an ockashunal chase at kanada thistles. Tha are a modern invenshun; I do not think the Bible deludes to them at all. They sell for more than any other domestic animal. You kant tell their age by looking into their mouths enny more than you kood a Mexican cannon's. Tha never had no disease that a good klub won't heel. If tha ever die tha must kum rite to live agin, for I never herd enny one say "ded mule." Tha are like sum men, very korrupt at hart; I've known them to be good for six months just to git a chanse to kick sumbody. I never owned one nor never mean to unless there is a United States law passed requiring it. The only reason why tha are pashunt is tha are ashamed ov themselves. I've seen edikated mules in a cirkus—tha kood kick and bite tremenjus. I wood not say what I am forced to say agin the mule if his birth went an outrage and he ain't to blame for it. Enny man who is willing to drive a mule ought to be exempt by law from running for the legislature. Tha are the strongest kreeter on arth and heaviest ackording to their size; I herd tell ov one who fell oph ov a tow path and sunk as soon as he tuched bottom, but he kept rite on towing the boat to the next stastun, breathing through his ears, which was out ov water about two feet six inches; I didn't see this, but an auctioneer told me ov it, and I never knew an auctioneer to lie, unless he kood make sumthing out ov it."

— From a Washington correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune* we extract the following truthful pen-and-ink portrait of Mrs. Jane G. Swisshelm, late editress of the St. Cloud *Democrat*, and now residing in the former city:

"There, in the ladies' gallery, is a woman who will not flinch under my pencil—or anybody's. Mrs. Jane G. Swisshelm, of Minnesota, one of the sharpest politicians among American women, I think, and, for all that, a good housekeeper I know, for I have eaten her biscuits. She has a very large head high over firmness and self-esteem, wide at combativeness, massive in the intellectual moral regions, and a forehead as a marble block—casuality jutting out in the most defiant manner. Added to this a face full of self-assertion, a controversial mouth, which plainly says, "No compromise"—an inquisitive nose, sharp almost to fierceness, and eyes four times as sharp as her nose. Fifteen years ago she was editor of the Pittsburg *Saturday Visitor*, and the most widely-read and popular female writer in this country. Her recent miscellaneous articles show the same warm-heartedness and genial style, but party warfare has wearied and worried her, and on political topics, the ink flows acrid from her pen. As an opponent she is disagreeably witty, and in debate as unrelenting as Parson Brownlow.

She leads off the applause in the ladies' gallery to day, and when the mild copperhead clerk utters his mild reproof, she looks as if she would delight in tweaking his nose. In religion she maintains the doctrines of the old Scotch Covenanters, and as she makes a zealous champion, I am certain she would make an admirable martyr—for she would risk the stake any time for the privilege of the last word. She is positive, progressive, and aggressive, and usually on "the other side" Her decision, courage and self-reliance, the availibility of her knowledge and the power of her personal magnetism, endow her with the qualities of a leader; and if she, with five hundred other American women, should be wrecked some fine morning, on any desolate island in the Pacific, Mrs. Swisshelm would be elected queen in fifteen minutes, and have a provisional government organized before dinner."


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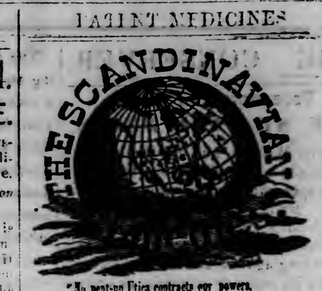


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| *Scrofula,* | *Liver Complaint,* |
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| *Dyspepsia,* | *Syphilis,* |
| *Old Sores,* | *Fever and Ague,* |
| *Leucorrhœa,* | *Sick Headache,* |
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NOTICE.

**For Sale,**

My stock of Goods, and Storehouse for rent or sale. THEODORE GARDNER.

Hastings, Oct. 13, 1863.

# THE CONSERVER.

## Prospectus for 1864.

## THE ST. PAUL PRESS,

Daily, Weekly, and Tri-Weekly, is universally admitted to be the best newspaper published northwest of Chicago. By its earnest, fearless and consistent advocacy of the great principles for which the armies of the union are contending against the hosts of slavery, and by its superior enterprise as a newspaper, it has, in the third year of its publication, reached a circulation double that of any other in the state.

The tremendous issue of the contest which is to culminate in the approaching Presidential Campaign of 1864—the result of which will decide whether slavery, the mother of rebellion, shall perish with her infernal offspring, or survive to generate a new progeny of national crimes and disasters—demand that increased effort be put forth to extend the circulation of the

LEADING REPUBLICAN JOURNAL OF MINNESOTA.

Minnesota can be carried next fall by a majority of fifteen thousand for the twin cause of freedom and the union, if in every city, town, and ward the canvass be at once begun by pursuading every intelligent voter to take the Press. Every republican and union man should take the Press, because it is the only republican or reliable union journal published at the capital.

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Every merchant, business men, farmer and mechanic, should take the Press, because it is the only Minnesota paper contain full and accurate daily monetary and commercial reports of the local and general markets and because its circulation being double, that of any other paper, it is the favorite medium of advertising in all department of trade and industry.

Everybody interested in the progress and prosperity of the state, should take the Press, because it devotes more labor and more columns to the advocacy and statistical exposition of subjects connected with trade, agriculture, manufactures, internal improvements, and the general development of the state that any and all other papers combined. Everybody desirous of promoting immigration to Minnesota should take the Press, because it is the best paper to send abroad to disseminate a correct appreciation of the resources of the state.

Every soldier should take the Press, because it is the best medium of home news, and of military intelligence from the various regiments which is published in Minnesota.

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Accounts received from all parts of the state, go to show that the recent order in relation to negro enlistments, is doing more to pacify the state than any other thing. The owners of slaves are forwarding them to the different railroad stations for the purpose of enlisting them in the military service. Of course the owner receives the bounty paid recruits, as a compensation for his property. The railroads are crowded with this class of passengers. We understand that some five or six colored regiments are now being organized in the state. It is estimated that at least twenty thousand soldiers can be recruited by this class of recruits; and as every enlisted negro counts for one white man, it is thought that the quota of Missouri can be filled in this way and save the necessity of a draft. A couple of problems, about which Missourians are anxious just now, seems to be in process of being easily solved.—*St. Louis Union.*

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THE HOME JOURNAL.—This interesting and instructive literary paper is still a visitor to our table. For the coming year the *Journal* will appear in an entirely new dress, new type having been purchased for the purpose. With the January number will be commenced a new story, translated from the French, entitled "DeValvrede." Other original and thrilling stories will follow, while the residue of the paper will be filled with sketches from the felicitous pen of Mr. WILLIS, foreign as well as home gossip and correspondence, and other interesting and amusing matter.

TERMS.—For one copy, $2 50, for three copies, $7 00, for a club of six copies, $12 00, and at that rate, for a larger club—always in advance. Those who wish to begin with the new volume, will send their subscriptions at once.

Address, MORRIS & WILLIS, editors and proprietors, 107 Fulton St., New York.

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George D. Prentice, the renowned wit and reputed editor of the Louisville *Journal*, I regret to say, is sinking deeper and deeper. The paper long since passed from his control, both financially and editorially. His unfortunate propensity for strong drink entirely unfitting him for the control of his pecuniary matters, his personal friends have purchased him a homestead, and persuaded him to transfer his interest in the paper to his wife, thus taking it out of his power to squander it, and securing a respectable support to his family. Personally, Mr. Prentice is claimed by his friends to be for the Union without an "if or a but." But his own convictions no longer give tone to the columns of the *Journal*, and hence upon the most vital question as the nation the paper gives an "uncertain sound."—*Louisville Cor. Detroit Advertiser.*

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A prominent lady of Memphis lost her husband 27 months ago, and the other day gave birth to three boys. Col. Pat Richardson says: This is right. Three times nine makes just 27. Bully for you "Pat;" your mathematics is sound.—*La Crosse Dem.*

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The Toronto *Globe* cordially endorses the President's Proclamation to the Southern people, predicts that it will be a great success, and believes the great rebellion is on its last logs.

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At a spiritual circle, the other evening, a gentleman requested the medium to ask what amusement was most popular in the spiritual world. The reply was, "Reading our own obituary notice."

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## MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

**Bankable Funds.**

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| New England, | Bank State of Indiana. |
| New York. | Iowa, |
| New Jersey, | Michigan, |
| Ohio, | U. S Demand Notes. |
| Canada, | Wisconsin, |
| Pittsburg, | Minnesota. |

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FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

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|---|---|---|
| New York, Philadelphia, Boston, | par. | ⅝ prem |
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|---|---|---|
| Gold, | 40 | 50 |
| Silver (large), | 30 | 50 |
| U. S. Demand Notes, | 40 | 50 |
| Canada, | 40 | 50 |

## RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY G. F. BATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, Jan. 5, 1864

| | |
|---|---|
| FLOUR, per sack, | $3 00 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 75@78 |
| CORN, do | 60 |
| OATS, do | 55@60 |
| POTATOES, do | 50 |
| BEANS, do | 2 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 00 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 3 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 6 00@8 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 3 00@4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 50 |
| EGGS, per doz | 15 |
| BUTTER, per lb, | 15@20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 3@4 |
| BEEF, per cwt. | 3 00 |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8@9 |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5@6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 10 |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15@25 |
| SUGARS, per lb | 12½@20 |
| MOLASSES, per gal | 70@1 00 |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 40 |

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

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A Finkle & Lyon Sewing Machine, at less than cost. Enquire at this office.

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**Pulmonary Consumption a Curable Disease.—A Card to Consumptives.**

The undersigned, having been restored to health in a few weeks by a very simple remedy, after having suffered several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease Consumption, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a *sure cure* for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitas, Coughs, Colds, etc. The only object of the advertiser in sending prescription is to benefit the afflicted, and spread information which he conceives to be invaluable; and he hopes every sufferer will try his remedy, as it costs them nothing, and may prove a blessing. Parties wishing the prescription will please address

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| CASH CAPITAL, | $100,000 |
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Dividends on capital limited by its charter to seven per cent per annum—the entire profits go to the policy holders.

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

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HERZOG & CORSON.
Hastings, Jan. 1, 1863. 38-tf

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NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS OF DAKOTA County, Minn.—The duplicate of Taxes for state, county, city, and all other purposes for the year 18 3 is in my hands for collection, and the following amounts have been levied, to-wit:

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| For support of state government, | $4640 55 8 |
| For payment of interest on state debt, | 3749 64 6 |
| For support of common schools, | 3749 64 6 |
| For county purposes, | 5114 51 3 |
| For interest on county debt, | 464 95 6 |
| For county poor, | 464 95 6 |
| For county roads and bridges, | 929 91 2 |
| For county war bonds, | 3719 64 7 |
| For town purposes, town of Burnsville, | 62 89 8 |
| For road purposes, town of Burnsville, | 71 17 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Castle Rock, | 239 04 3 |
| For town purposes, town of Douglass, | 172 47 3 |
| For town purposes, town of Eagan, | 76 04 4 |
| For town puposes, town of Empire City, | 128 02 8 |
| For road purposes, town of Empire City, | 162 61 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Eureka, | 229 47 3 |
| For road purposes, town of Eureka, | 29 19 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Green Vale, | 150 73 5 |
| For road purposes, town of Green Vale, | 59 12 0 |
| For city purposes, town of Hastings, | 1000 00 0 |
| For poor purposes, town of Hastings, | 771 29 4 |
| For bounty to volunteers, Hastings, | 2570 98 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Hampton, | 93 75 5 |
| For town purposes, town of Inver Grove, | 137 05 9 |
| For road purposes, town of Inver Grove, | 187 59 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Lakeville, | 194 59 2 |
| For road purposes, town of Lebanon, | 19 88 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Marshan, | 251 21 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Mendota, | 149 72 4 |
| For road purposes, town of Mendota, | 65 02 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Nininger, | 148 91 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Ravenna, | 150 84 3 |
| For poor purposes, town of Ravenna, | 100 56 2 |
| For town purposes, town of Sciota, | 100 00 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Sciota, | 42 28 5 |
| For road purposes, town of Vermillion, | 207 30 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Waterford, | 35 39 0 |
| For town purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 390 83 1 |
| For road purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 32 97 3 |
| For city purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 740 42 0 |
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| No. school District. | School House. | Special Tax. | Total Tax. |
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| 24 | | 139 88 0 | 139 88 0 |
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| 55 | | 55 00 0 | 55 00 0 |
| 57 | 300 00 0 | | 300 00 0 |
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| 63 | 30 00 0 | 25 00 0 | 55 00 0 |
| 64 | 109 76 8 | | 109 76 8 |
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| *J'l'69 | | 25 00 0 | 25 00 0 |
| 73 | 34 61 8 | | 34 61 8 |
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*Waterford and Sciota.

I will attend at the following named places in each town for the purpose of receiving taxes, to-wit:

Burnsville school house, Jan. 23.
Castle Rock, Grove school house, Jan. 12.
Douglass, at McLaughlin's, Jan 9.
Eagan, school house in school dist. 14, Jan. 27.
Empire City, Amidon's hotel, Jan. 20.
Eureka, at house of Wm. Poole, Jan. 21.
Greenvale, Clegue's school house, Jan. 13.
Hampton, at Kranz's school house, Jan. 18.
Hastings, at my office, Jan. 7.
Inver Grove, at Jagoes, Jan. 28.
Lakeville, at Ackley's hotel, Jan. 22.
Lebanon, at the school house, Jan. 25.
Marshan, at Belwood, Jan. 11.
Mendota, at Sibley's office, Jan. 29.
Nininger, at the house of C. Yeager, Feb. 2.
Randolph, at the house of D. B. Hurlbut, Jan. 16.
Ravenna, at the house of H. C. Lovejoy, Jan. 8.
Rosemount, at the house of John Murphy, Jan. 26.
Sciota, at Lewiston, Jan. 15.
Vermillion, at McKay's, Jan. 19.
Waterford, at the school house, Jan. 14.
West St. Paul, at school house near Item's store, Jan. 30.

And on and after Feb. 3d, 1864, will attend at my office, in the city of Hastings, to receive taxes from persons wishing to pay the same.

Persons wishing to pay taxes should bring a written description of the property upon which they wish to pay, as no money will be refunded on account of any person having paid upon the wrong description.

A penalty of five per cent will be added to personal taxes not paid before the first day of February next. All moneys received in payment of taxes must be in United States currency.

MICHAEL COMER, County Treasurer.
Hastings, Dec. 17, 1863. 37-1w

## GROCERIES, ETC.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!

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Call in and see one of the best stocks of goods in this market. Store corner of Second and Ramsey Streets.

D. E. EYRE.
Hastings, Nov. 3, 1863. 30-tf

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**MARK WILLSON,**

Dealer in

**Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,**

GROCERIES,

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BOOTS AND SHOES,

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A large assortment always on hand, and all to be sold for ready pay only, and at the lowest price.

**EXCHANGE BLOCK.**

Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-6m*

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**GROCER,**

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LARGE STOCK,

Which will be offered at

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AT THE

**Lowest Market Prices for Cash.**

Merchants, Farmers, and other purchasers are invited to call and examine his stock and prices.

W. D. FRENCH.
Sept. 15, 1863. 26-tf

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A WANT IN HASTINGS SUPPLIED.

An exclusive BOOT and SHOE STORE, opposite Tremont House, has just been opened by

J. SKELTON,

with an immense stock, comprising a large assortment of

*LADIES' BOOTS AND SHOES.*

*MISS'S* do do

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*FARMER'S PRAIRIE BOOTS.*

Men, Women, and Miss's

RUBBERS,

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Etc., Etc.

All good *CUSTOM-MADE* and cheap for cash.

*ALSO AT WHOLESALE.*

Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-tf

## MISCELLANEOUS.

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CURTISS & COWLES,

DEALERS IN

Shoe and Harness Leather,

saddlery hardware, shoe findings, etc., Ramsey Street, near Levee, and lumber of all descriptions at corner of Second and Eddy Streets.

Hastings, Feb. 19, 1863. 45-tf

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HASTINGS CIGAR STORE.

M. SIMON,

Manufacturer of all kinds of Cigars and Tobacco, and Dealer in smoking and chewing

**Tobacco and Snuff.**

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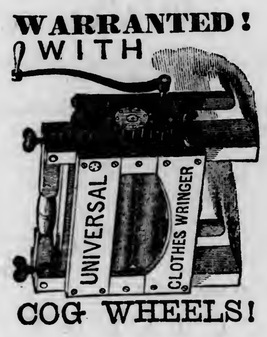


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### The Legislature.

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Enr. Clerk—A. Strecker.
Eng. Clerk—J. H. Brand.
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Fireman—C. L. Weed.
Printer—Fred. Driscoll.
Chaplain—F. A Noble.
Messengers—Luke L. Miller and Willie A. Warner.

HOUSE.

Speaker—Jared Benson.
Chief Clerk—Andrew C. Dunn.
Engrossing Clerk—Solomon Snow.
Enrolling Clerk—Christian Exel.
Chaplain—Rev A. D. Williams.
Incidental Printer—Frederick Driscoll.
Sergeant at-arms—L. H. McDonald.
Fireman—Wm. Mortimer.
Messengers—S. C. Robins, and Erskine Hawley.

Illness in the family of Gov. Swift occasioned considerable delay in the transmission of his annual mesage, and it has not yet reached us. We presume Gov. Miller will be inaugurated to-day.

### Important Libel Suit--P. Van Auken vs. the St. Paul Press.

Our worthy citizen P. Van Auken has retained two of our leading law firms, who are preparing the papers in the above case, the complaint being that the said paper has at different times published a statement that the said P. Van Auken was a copperhead member of the Minnesota Legislature, which slander he cannot quietly submit to. If it had called him a robber, murderer, thief, scoundrel, etc., it would not have hurt him among his friends, but to publish this in a respectable and widely circulated journal as the *Press*, where his Eastern friends and acquaintances see him recorded as a traitor to his country and his God, is more than human nature can bear. We think the *Press* should apologize for so doing, which probably would be satisfactory to himself and his friends. It is a very serious charge to make against any loyal man, especially against our neighbor Mr. Van Auken, who is above suspicion of being guilty of so heinous a crime as copperheadism.

### Educational.

We publish elsewhere in this issue a number of extracts from state exchanges, relative to our educational interests. They are indicative of an awakening of feeling as regards this matter, very gratifying to the friends of the cause, both at home and abroad. The people are becoming alive to the fact that we need a better common school system, and must have it to keep pace with the growth of other surroundings. Hence it is manifested in the most natural way—through the local press. It behooves the legislature in its present session to heed these signs of the times, and to give the subject a more favorable hearing than in years gone by. Their action is most anxiously looked for, and we trust that it will prove as timely as desired.

The editor of the Hastings *Conserver* says he does not want to send his paper to dead men. Then his subscribers will never receive the *Conserver* hereafter, as its editor seems to know that paper will not stand a trip through H——!—*La Crosse Democrat.*

Very true, Brick. We could not expect any support in a locality where so many of the patrons of the *Democrat* are or soon will be. The idea would be preposterous.

The Minnesota *Democrat*, of St. Paul, pegged out last week, and disappeared entirely from earthly view. Probably the cold weather, and the failure to appreciate it on the part of the public, hastened the end. We have a few more of the same sort in the state that could be spared as well as not.

### A Half-Hour with the Professor.

Last Saturday morning, having a little leisure, we concluded to pay a visit to the rooms of Prof. Powers, who has been lecturing several evenings in our town on phrenology and kindred subjects. We found the Professor in, and a number of victims awaiting their turn. He was experimenting with one of our business men, and, judging from the character he gave him—that he wouldn't take things that were beyond his reach, and would tell as much of the truth as was necessary to secure his own ends—a very successful one. Then came an infant nine months old, which occupied his attention ten or fifteen minutes. We could have told all about it, and more too, in half the time; a very active, sprightly child, looking very much as all other babies do at that age. Then a young man, modest and unassuming, who received his fate most resignedly. The Professor, turning to us, blandly enquired if we wished our head examined? Didn't care if we did. It hadn't been since our good old mother use to explore it with a fine tooth comb, when a school boy. So we sat down. He first measured our head with a tape. Set it down as a shoemaker does when measuring a person's foot. Felt our pulse; passed his hand several times over our head; found a remarkable bump on the back of it which he marked 7 plus; (didn't tell him it was caused by a stone from a class-mate when a boy!) tweaked our nose; felt of our ribs, asked if we were sound on the goose; squinted and peered and blinked at us until we felt like a delinquent owing for three years and a half's subscription. All this time busily setting down the total of what he found in our cranium. At last he footed it up, and we give it verbatim:

Amiability, 1.
Agreeableness, 1 minus.
Benevolence, 2.
Big-head, 5 plus.
Beauty, 6.
Cautiousness, 3.
Conscientiousness, 1 minus.
Constructiveness, 3.
Docility, 6.
Destructiveness, 2.
Egotism, 7.
Elevation, 7.
Energy, 2.
Frivolity, 7.
Gullibility, 7.
Gentility, 1.
Humaneness, 1.
Imitation, 6.
Moroseness, 5.
Notionality, 6.
Opaqueness, 6.
Pomposity, 4.
Quackery, 6.
Ridiculousness, 6.
Spunkiness, 2.
Truthfulness, 1.
Vanity, 7.

Total, 111.

Whew! Who'd ha' thought we carried so much every day under our hat! All this contained inside our head! (He didn't say any thing about the outside!) So we donned our tile, bade the Professor a respectful good morning, and left—a wiser if not a better man.

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The quotas not having arrived from Washington at the appointed time, the draft in this state was necessarily postponed. An opportunity is still offered to towns to make up their complement of men by voluntary enlistments. It is not announced when the drawing will take place, but probably soon.

Lute A. Taylor, of the Prescott *Journal*, has been appointed assessor for his congressional district, in place of Hon. J. B. Gray, deceased. Wisconsin is the state for editors, and we are glad to se our old friend obtaining his share of the spoils.

The simplest rule for determining the length of the days and nights in any part of the year is to double the time of the sun's rising which will give the length of the night, and double that of its setting for the length of the day.

Of the whole number of men held to service under the first draft, about one-seventh served in person, two-sevenths served by substitute, and four-sevenths paid the commutation money.

Gen. Cass is said to be so feeble that he cannot live much longer. He is in his 81st year.

### From the Second Cavalry.

Editor Conserver:

Not being on duty to-day, and believing that a word or two from Capt. Smith's company would be acceptable to the readers of your neat little sheet, I take pleasure in thus writing to you concerning the affairs of the company and the surroundings.

We—that is, the boys from Hastings—arrived here all safe on the evening of the 29th ult., and made a hearty supper on hard tack, boiled beef, and coffee made of ground peas.

We elected our commissioned officers on the 30th ult. The non-commissioned officers, by vote of the company, were appointed by the captain.

The following are the names of the members of Company F, 2d Cavalry, Minn. Vols., as they stand on the muster-in roll:

THOMAS M. SMITH, captain.
Edwin Parliman, 1st lieutenant.
Isaac N. Van Doren, 2d lieutenant.

Albert H. Truax, orderly sergeant.
Edward D. Barker, q. m. "
R. W. Montgomery, com. "
Alexander Merrill, 1st duty, "
John S. Ireland, 2d " "
Henry Van Inwegen, 3d " "
Samuel White, 4th " "
Wellington S. Porter, 5th " "

William O. White, 1st corporal.
M. N. Buswell, 2d "
M. L. Odell, 3d "
George F. Slocum, 4th "
James Loyd, 5th "
Seth Harris, 6th "
Isaac Haycraft, 7th "
James W. Wallace, 8th "

Joel Haycraft, farrier.
Andy F. Jackson, blacksmith.
Charles Porter, saddler.
William R. Mather, wagoner.

PRIVATES.

Soloman Buttin, Eureka.
Edward Brockman, Hastings.
Antoin Brunell, Cottage Grove.
Thomas G. Brown, Hastings.
David Burton, Eureka.
Anthony Bush, Hastings.
John H. Cowle, Green Vale.
Fred. J. Colby, Hastings.
William Coburn, Eureka.
Isaac Coburn, "
Thomas Connoly, Hastings.
William A. Conner, "
Ole Christerpherson, Warsaw.
Walter Clift, Hampton.
A. L. Caskey, Eureka.
E. V. R. Dilly, "
William Durry, "
Charles S. Emmons, Lakeville.
Charles E. Foster, Hastings.
Thomas Fahay, Marshan.
Benson Griswold, Eureka.
William J. Graff, Hastings.
Charles Gates, "
Jerome Hanna, Nininger.
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Adelbert Ives, Lebanon.
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Willister Jennison, "
James W. Jolly, Eureka.
Dennas F. Keiiy, Hastings.
George Kennedy, "
Leonard M. Knapp, Nininger.
Augustus Latto, Hastings.
John M. Livingston, Eureka.
David J. Lumsden, "
John McDonald, Hastings.
John McViff, "
George Panchott, Marshan.
Edmun Phillips, Lakeville.
John Pitcher, Hastings.
Johnson Paol, Eureka.
Oliver P. Reynolds, Hastings.
George A. Record, Lakeville.
John H. Resler, Hastings.
Isaac Rhoad, Eureka.
Howard Shadinger, Eureka.
Clymer Shadinger, "
Adnah Shadinger, "
Adolphus C. Speek. "
Anthony Singes, Hastings.
Joseph Allen Searls, Eureka.
James Scott, Lebanon.
Thomas N. Schofield, Eureka.
Thomas C. Smith, "
Samuel A. Thompson, Hastings.
James S. Welch, "
B. F. Whitney, "

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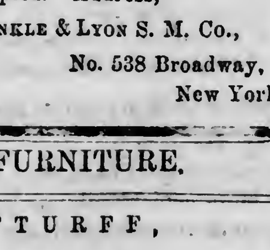


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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32-tf

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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ESTRAY.—TAKEN UP BY THE SUBscriber, on or about Dec. 14th, 1863, one OX, all red with star in forehead, about five years old. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take him away.
H. D. COUNTRYMAN.
Nininger, Jan. 1. 1864. 39-3t*

NOTICE.—THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the subscribers under the firm of O. I. Noble & Co. is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
O. I. NOBLE.
ERASTUS COY.
Hastings, Dec. 14, 1863.

The subscriber will continue the milling business at the stone mill.
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Hastings, Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

AMERICAN COFFEE SEED.

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Have procured the Central American Coffee Seed, which is well adapted to the North-Western states. It will cost but 3 to 5 cents per pound to raise it. We have raised it for three years with good success, and are now able to supply the public with the seed. Every farmer should raise his own coffee.

PRICE.—One paper 25 cents, three papers 50 cents, seven papers $1. Any person sending $2 or more will receive one paper extra for each dollar. All packages sent free of postage on receipt of the money. Address M. T. RICH, Red Wing, Minn,

*** Editors giving the above two or three insertions, including this notice, will receive ten papers on sending marked copy to M. T. Rich, Red Wing, Minn.
39-2t

BANK OF THOMPSON BROS.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1863.

U.S. 5-20'S.

The secretary of the treasury has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular loan from sale at par, and, until ten day's notice is given, the undersigned, as general subscription agent, will continue to supply the public.

The whole amount of the loan authorized is five hundred millions of dollars. Nearly four hundred millions have been already subscribed for and paid into the treasury, mostly within the last seven months. The large demand from abroad, and the rapidly increasing home demand for use as the basis for circulation by national banking associations now organizing in all parts of the country, will, in a very short period, absorb the balance. Sales have lately ranged from ten to fifteen millions weekly, frequently exceeding three millions daily, and as it is well known that the secretary of the treasury has ample and unfailing resources in the duties on imports and internal revenues, and in the issue of the interest bearing legal tender treasury notes, it is almost a certainty that he will not find it necessary, for a long time to come, to seek a market for any other long or permanent loan, the interest and principal of which are payable in GOLD.

Prudence and self interest must force the minds of those contemplating the formation of national banking associations, as well as the minds of all who have idle money on their hands, to the prompt conclusion that they should lose no time in subscribing to this most popular loan. It will soon be beyond their reach, and advance to a handsome premium, as was the result with the "seven-thirty" loan, when it was all sold and could no longer be subscribed for at par.

It is a six per cent loan, the interest and principal payable in coin, thus yielding over nine per cent per annum at the present rate of premium on coin.

The government requires all duties on imports to be paid in coin; these duties have for a long time past amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars daily, a sum nearly three times greater than that required in the payment of the interest on all the 5-20's and other permanent loans. So that it is hoped that the surplus coin in the treasury, at no distant day, will enable the United States to resume specie payments upon all liabilities.

The loan is called 5-20 from the fact that whilst the bonds may run for 20 years yet, the government has a right to pay them off in gold at par, at any time after 5 years. The interest is paid half-yearly, viz.: on the first days of November and May.

Subscribers can have coupon bonds, which are payable to bearer, and are $50, $100, $500, and $1,000; or registered bonds of same denominations, and, in addition, $5,000 and $10,000. For banking purposes and for investments of trust-moneys the registered bonds are preferable.

These 5-20's cannot be taxed by states, cities, towns, or counties, and the government tax on them is only one and a half per cent on the amount of income, when the income of the holder exceeds six hundred dollars per annum; all other investments, such as income from mortgages, railroad stock and bonds, etc., must pay from three to five per cent on the income.

Banks and Bankers throughout the country will continue to dispose of the bonds; and all orders by mail or otherwise promptly attended to.

The inconvenience of a few delay in the delivery of the bonds is unavoidable, the demand being so great; but as interest commences from the first day of subscription, no loss is occasioned, and exertion is being made to diminish the delay.

JAY COOKE, Subscription Agt.,
THOMPSON BROS., Sub Agents, St. Paul.
38-2m


## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

**P. O. Notice.--Winter Arrangement.**
Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

OWING to the unusual pressure of job work we are obliged to defer a number of local items until next issue.

J. N. BILL has opened a clothing store on Ramsey Street next to Second. Advertisement next week.

H. S. JENNINGS has removed his law office next to PRINGLE's hardware store, where he may be found during business hours.

INK.—STANLEY, on Ramsey Street, has the best stock of ink and writing fluid in town without exception. The genuine Arnold fluid and superior red copying ink always on hand.

ANDREWS, has a fine lot of clocks and jewelry for sale at reasonable rates. Repairing and engraving done to order. Shop on Second Street, next to New England House.

NOTICE.—The Baptist Mite Society meets on Wednesday afternoon and evening at the residence of Mr. BOYNTON near Lake Isabel. All are invited to attend.

We are glad to notice our friend NEWMAN at his post again, having recovered from his severe illness. GEORGE keeps a fine assortment of dry goods, and knows how to please customers. Drop in.

JOHN HUGHES, the celebrated Romanist arch-bishop, was buried in New York on the 7th inst. His sudden demise will cause a sensation among the members of that denomination as weel as in the political world.

ASHES.—We would suggest to people in general that a better place for depositing ashes might be found than in the middle of the street. It makes hard drawing for teams, and mars the beautiful whiteness of the snow.

TOBACCO AND CIGARS, of all brands and qualities, for sale by M. SIMON, tobacconist, on Second Street. He has the best smoking and chewing tobacco in town, and his cigars almost smoke themselves. Try a few of them.

LIVELY.—The sleighing is excellent, and wheat, wood, and other produce is coming in by the hundred loads, to the great satisfaction of our merchants and business men. Second Street presents a stirring appearance about these time.

KNICKERBOCKER MONTHLY.—This valuable magazine for January is before us. It is replete with interesting reading matter, and we commend it to the attention of the public. $3 per annum. Address KINAHAN CORNWALLIS, 37 Park Row, New York.

MACOMBER is prepared to do all kinds of repairing and engraving at short notice and in the best of style. He is second to none in this respect, and we recommend our readers to give him a trial. The finest assortment of silver ware in town may be seen at MACOMBER'S.

PROF. POWERS has been delivering a course of lectures in this city for the past week on various subjects, more especially phrenology, with decided success, and attracting crowded houses. His deliniations of character are most truthful and correct. He leaves for St. Paul to-day.

MERCHANT TAILOR.—PRATT, next to post-office, is preparing to give his entire attention to this branch of the business, and with the assistance of Mr. CHURCHILL, his inimitable cutter, will give satisfaction every time. A fine stock of clothes on hand. Call and see.

I. O. of O. F.—The following officers were duly installed in Vermillion Lodge, No. 8, last Tuesday evening, 5th inst.:

F. M. CROSBY,—N. G.
JOHN INGRAHAM.—V. G.
E. J. CROSS,—Rec. Secretary.
JOHN WHITE,—Treasurer.
W. H. BENNETT,—Permanent Secretary.

FIRE.—A fire broke out in the two-story frame house occupied by J. SKELTON, corner of Fifth and Ramsey Streets, on Monday morning, consuming the entire building. It is supposed to have originated in the chimney, and when discovered the whole roof was in flames. The furniture was carried out and saved. Property valued at $800, and was insured for that amount in the Merchant's. Owned by HILLERY.

R. M. BECKER realized $25 from his benefit at the German Theatre, Monday evening, 4th inst.

A FIRE ENGINE.—How many more warnings do the citizens of Hastings need before they discover the necessity of some method of extinguishing fires? This is a question which we intend to repeat *ad infinitum*, unless satisfactorily answered. Why not procure an engine at once?

### MARRIED.

On Thursday evening, the 31st ult., by P. Hartshorn, esq., Mr. J. G. WELHLIN and Mrs. VICTORIA SABLOHNER, both of the city of Hastings.

In Mankato, Jan. 1st, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Thomas Day, Corporal S. S. TWITCHELL and Miss TILLIE D. HANNA.

### MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

**Bankable Funds.**

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| New England, | Bank State of Indiana. |
| New York. | Iowa, |
| New Jersey, | Michigan, |
| Ohio. | U. S Demand Notes. |
| Canada. | Wisconsin, |
| Pittsburg, | Minnesota. |

**Exchange.**

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

| | Buying. | Selling |
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| New York, Philadelphia, Boston, | par. | ½ prem |
| Chicago and Milwaukee, | par. | ¼ prem |
| PREMIUM FUNDS: | | |
| Gold, | 45 | 55 |
| Silver (large), | 35 | 55 |
| U. S. Demand Notes, | 45 | 55 |
| Canada, | 45 | 55 |

### RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY G. F. BATCHELDER.

HASTINGS, Jan. 12, 1864

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| FLOUR, per sack, | $3 00 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 75a78 |
| CORN, do | 60 |
| OATS, do | 55 60 |
| POTATOES, do | 50 |
| BEANS, do | 2 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 00 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 3 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 6 00a8 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 3 00a4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 50 |
| EGGS, per doz | 15 |
| BUTTER, per lb. | 15a20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 3a4 |
| BEEF, per cwt. | 3 [illegible] |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8 [illegible] |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5 [illegible] |
| DRIED APPLES. | [illegible] |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15a[illegible]5 |
| SUGARS, per lb | 12½a[illegible] |
| MOLASSES, per gal | [illegible] |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 40 |


## SPECIAL NOTICES.

**FOR SALE.**

A Finkle & Lyon Sewing Machine, at less than cost. Enquire at this office.

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**Pulmonary Consumption a Curable Disease.--A Card to Consumptives.**

The undersigned, having been restored to health in a few weeks by a very simple remedy, after having suffered several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease Consumption, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a *sure cure* for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitas, Coughs, Colds, etc. The only object of the advertiser in sending prescription is to benefit the afflicted, and spread information which he conceives to be invaluable; and he hopes every sufferer will try his remedy, as it costs them nothing, and may prove a blessing. Parties wishing the prescription will please address

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GROCERIES,
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NAILS, GLASS,
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HATS AND CAPS,
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Our stock is large and complete, and will be sold at

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We have made arrangements with Messrs. HARRISON to keep on hand a large supply of their excellent Flour

The celebrated Moline Plow for sale.

DRAPER & BALLARD.
May 1, 1863 2-tf

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### A School System.

A complete school system will secure the education of all the children of the state. It will not simply aim at this result; it will accomplish the work. All the school laws in the land—our own among the rest—propose to do this, but many of them, being partial, incomplete, ill-digested—ours is in this list—fail to bring about what is expected of them.

It is the duty of every state to aim at a perfect educational system. The nearer it approaches to this, the more complete and satisfactory will be its results.

Such a system must by law provide public schools for all the able bodied and able minded youths; also special schools for all the accidental conditions of the children of the region which it seeks to benefit, as schools for the idiotic and blind, reform and industrial schools for boys and girls, academies, colleges and seminaries. This last class of schools we dismiss with no further remark, except that they should be responsible to a certain extent to the general executive school head of the state.

The public schools should be organized on a graded, and, as far as possible also, a union basis. They should be grouped into school districts, and be under the general supervision of a board of directors. A township has been found in all the older states to constitute the most convenient school district, and six men about the most efficient board of school directors for the district. The duties of these directors should be clearly set forth, and most wisely adjusted to the wants of the people whom, it is intended, they should serve. The public schools should, when the population is sufficiently dense, as in the cities and large towns, ascend step by step to the union high schools, and finally culminate in the state university. The high school should furnish a liberal English and classical education, and the universisy, that which is really indicated by that term. The tuition in the departments science, literature, and the arts should be free to all the children of the state who prepare themselves, and ask for its instructions. It should be the climax of the series of public schools—the primary intermediate, grammar, and high schools ought all to culminate in the state university.

The existence of good schools presupposes the existence of good teachers. These must first be made, the schools will then follow. Like teacher, like school. The school law which ignores the question of how teachers are to be obtained has sown the seeds of its own ruin. It is no system at all. Teachers, professional teachers, must be forthcoming to assume the immediate management of the schools, or there will be a miserable failure. Hence the necessity of normal schools. This necessity is pressing, absolute. Nothing can be made a substitute for them. While county institutes and township associations should be fostered, they never can take the place of normal schools. They have a work of their own to accomplish, which neither colleges, academies, nor any other institutions can do for them.

Of course funds will be needed. These prospectively are most ample, while no small amount has already accumulated. There is no necessity for further delay on account of funds. The cry of economy, if it ever had any weight, need no longer cheat, us out of our school rights. We can afford good schools; we cannot afford longer to go without them.

At the head of our school system we need an executive force. The best of plans is useless without some body to execute it. National laws are useless without a president, state laws without a governor, and school laws without a school superintendent. Statutes, like machines, will not run themselves. We refer the reader to the correspondence to be found in this number for additional thoughts on this subject. Our space is limited, and we must omit other items.

We now appeal to the Legislature. Shall Minnesota be longer without at least an incipient school system? We may not be able to do all that an old state can do, but we pray you this winter to set us on the right road. Give us a good beginning, a state superintendent, a good, sensible school law, something looking to the creation of permanent and professional teachers, and an efficient system of district supervision. We plead for these things in the name of the children of the state. Each one is a living, reasoning, feeling prayer to your honorable body for the speedy organization of a practical school plan for the whole state. At least fifty thousand of these are daily and importunately praying for the institution of measures that shall give them, if no more, a rudimentary English education. Shall this multitude of prayers be unheeded? Shall the present session pass without any improvement, while we remain a by-word among the educational friends of other states? Reason, common sense, self interest, state pride, the past, the future, all say go forward. And let us go forward.—*School Friend.*

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SATURDAY EVENING POST.—We notice that Messrs. DEACON & PETERSON, proprietors of this paper, "the oldest and best of the weeklies," have issued their prospectus for 1864—which paper is in its *forty-third* year; they announce that they design maintaining for their weekly the high character it has already acquired as a first class literary paper. The excellent and popular writers of the *Post*, during the past year, will continue to contribute the ensuing, and in January will be commenced a new novel by Mrs. WOOD, called "Oswold Gray." In addition to the stories written expressly for the *Post*, the editor lays before his readers the best stories from English periodicals, with selections of news, receipts, agricultural matters, markets, etc. Terms—cash in advance—$2 per annum; two copies, $3; eight copies, $12, with an extra copy for the getter up of the club One copy of the *Post* and one of the *Lady's Friend*—a new monthly magazine—$3. Address, DEACON & PETERSON, 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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THE LADY'S FRIEND.—The first—January—number of a new serial with the above title is on our table. It is a monthly magazine of literature and fashion, and, as its name imports, is designed particularly for ladies. The publishers offer, as a particular inducement to subscribers, to give one of Wheeler & Wilson's celebrated sewing machines, retailed for $45, to any person sending thirty subscriptions and $60. A fine opportunity for one of small means to procure a household necessity. Terms, 1 copy $2, two copies $3, four copies $6, eight copies, and one to getter up of club, $12, one copy each of the *Lady's Friend* and the *Saturday Evening Post* $3. Address DEACON & PETERSON, No. 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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### Common Schools.

Have all the papers of the state done their duty to schools? Have they urged upon the legislature immediate and liberal action in reference to improvements in our school system.—*School Friend*, Hastings.

We confess that we have not done our duty in the matter of advocating interests of common schools. Nor have we time to prepare such an article as we would wish to prepare on that subject. But we wish to say that we are a friend of common schools, and wish to see their highest interests promoted.

At present we have to advert to only two branches of the educational interest that ought to be looked after, and we call the attention of our senators and representative to the subject, and urge it upon their special attention. In the first place the common school system of the state needs a head. We now have, nominally, and only nominally, a state superiniendent of common schools. The person who nominall performs the functions of this office, is an officer of extended duties in another department of the state government, and can and does give but a nominal attention to the duties of this important office, which ought to occupy the time and attention of a smart man continually.

In the second place the state ought to encourage and assist the normal school. The need of this institution is seen every day in reckless and dissolutory manner in which many of our district schools are kept by persons well educated themselves, it may be, but whose knowledge of the management of a school room or themselves, has never been aided by a single moments reflection or a single effort for culture.

If we expect or hope to improve our system of schools, we have got to have a corps of teachers who not only know what to teach, but also know how to teach it. This knowledge can in no way be so well acquired as in a school devoted specially to that object; and, as education of the masses is the foundation and superstruction of our political system, the political and social compact requires that the very best means should be adopted to promote that end. We have chosen Joseph A. Thatcher to represent us in the senate, and S. S. Grannis and J. M. Gates, esqs., to represent us in the house. They are all of them friends of education, and to them we refer this whole subject, not to be dealt with in the superficial manner we have how hastily treated it, but in a thorough manner, as what they do will be for future generations and the results unlimited.—*Goodhue Volunteer.*

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The Minnesota Legislature is noted for making law. Last winter it was as busy as bees, and passed a mess of stuff which is of no account whatever, except to make our statutes cumbersome and perplexing. Now there is a little bit of legislation we want done, and then we would like to have our senators and our representatives come home. The item of legislation we want is that in reference to a good and efficient school law. Gentlemen, you know what is wanted, and you should take hold of the matter.—*Mower County Register.*

### Public School.

Some writer has truly remarked that to the virtue and intelligence of the people must we look for the perpetuity of American institutions. Naturally the uncultivated mind tends towards tyranny and despotism—in other words heated passion is the governing principle instead of cool, calm and deliberative reason.

The schools are the legitimate creatures of the people, and their claims are collective, hence are the legitimate subjects of legislation. Heretofore it has been to much the practice to legislate for almost every other interest, legitimate and illegitimate, while the schools are left to languish. We should have felt this neglect in our morals and intelligence, had not New England and other states that have fostered good common school systems been constantly sending us intelligence from their school rooms, and teachers from their academies, which has stimulated and leavened our educational ambition. We cannot always rely on this, we must have a vigorous and efficient system of our own. It must be richly endowed, and carefully guarded by legislation, while the best features of the schools in the older states ought to be engrafted on ours. Instead of the schools being the last thing to engage our attention, they ought to be the first—our wealth, our morals, our material advancement, the happiness of the people are the direct result of intelligent labor—can we afford to let our means of intelligence languish?

The legislature in times past seems to answer the above query in the affirmative—let us hope that every future one will take the other side of the question. Even the governor or other dignitaries of the state seem to have a combination against popular education. The petitions, expostulations, arguments and suggestions of the friends of education have been treated with contempt and the educational interests of the rising generation, have been sacrificed in the name of economy. For shame! to call that economy that starves the mental aspirations of the state, until ghastly and sickened it looks on while the material wealth and vigor of the people is slowly wasting away.

It is true we have a school law, which in many of its provisions is wise and commendable, while in others it is inoperative, and capable of amendment for the better. It is not our purpose to show what these imperfections are, in fact the object for which this article was written was to suggest the appointment of an officer whose duty it shall be to point out these defects, make suggestions, answer inquiries, visit the schools, and take a general oversight of the educational interests of the state. We do not say we want, we must have a state superintendent of public instruction, and the legislature ought to provide such an officer at the earliest moment. With such an officer the school law is easily corrected, its matter dissected and compacted, and a good and efficient system put in order for various work.

If the legislature should fail to give us such an officer this winter, it will be guilty of a culpable and criminal neglect, for which future generations will rise up and curse us—curse us with the long list of crimes that ignorance entails—curse us with a low state of public morals, and with stagnation and indolence in our public and private enterprises. The educational standard must be kept up, and to do this the school system must have a capable executive head.—*Hastings Independent.*

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### Educational Matters.

Prof. T. F. Thickstun, principal of the Hastings University, publishes a quarterly entitled the *School Friend*, devoted to the promotion of education in this state. In the last number is a letter to the governor and secretary of state, urging improvements in our school law and its administration. As is well known, the secretary of state is *ex offico* superintendent of public instruction. This is undeniably throwing too much on one man's shoulders, and involves the neglect or slight performance of duties belonging to one of two positions. This slight is only too apt to fall upon the superintendency; and Prof. T. is right in asking that the offices be made separate and distinct, one being equally with the other filled by responsible, capable persons. The plea of poverty which induced the legislature to abolish the office of superintendent and transfer its duties to another branch of the state administration, already sufficiently burdened, was illy made. No state is too poor to act liberally in all matter pertaining to the proper support and direction of its school system; and assuredly one of such importance as the instruction of the fifty thousand children within the state must require the best energies, and all the time, of the most competent man for the position we have. This it should receive.

It is essentially proper that the expenses of executive machinery be made as light as possible—retrench, lop off in every possible direction—but never take the elements of improvement from the minds of children that you may still more fill their mouths or leave a few cents additional in the pockets of their parents.

Prof. Thickstun also urges the state to support a normal school, so that we may not be without a sufficient number of capable teachers.

These are matters that deserve the careful consideration of the legislature during the approaching session. They should be treated in an intelligent manner, and not disposed of in a narrow sense of mistaken economy.—*St. Cloud Democrat.*

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Madame Schnell, a fortune-teller of Louisville, and her two children, were lost on the steamer Sunny Side. She had accumulated $70,000 by the practice of her art, but failed to read her own fate.


## Prospectus for 1864.

## THE ST. PAUL PRESS,

Daily, Weekly, and Tri-Weekly, is universally admitted to be the best newspaper published northwest of Chicago. By its earnest, fearless and consistent advocacy of the great principles for which the armies of the union are contending against the hosts of slavery, and by its superior enterprise as a newspaper, it has, in the third year of its publication, reached a circulation double that of any other in the state.

The tremendous issue of the contest which is to culminate in the approaching Presidential Campaign of 1864—the result of which will decide whether slavery, the mother of rebellion, shall perish with her infernal offspring, or survive to generate a new progeny of national crimes and disasters—demand that increased effort be put forth to extend the circulation of the

LEADING REPUBLICAN JOURNAL OF MINNESOTA.

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"What is death, father?"

"The rest, my child,
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The angel of God, who, calm and mild,
Says we need fight no more;
Who driveth away the demon band,
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And proclaims an eternal peace."

"Let me die, father! I tremble and fear
To yield in that terrible strife."

"The crown must be won for heaven, dear,
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### Correspondence.

**County Superintendents of Common Schools.**

It is a well known principle of political economy that a division of labor promotes efficiency, secures accuracy, and effect an economy, both of labor and money, in any department of human industry wherein it may be applicable. The educational interests of a state, as much as any other, are susceptible of the application of this principle. The schools of a state should be so administered as to realize the greatest good to the greatest number, with the least expense of time and the greatest economy of money. In a school system, as in a railroad corporation, if you would realize dividends from the investment of funds, there must be no more hands employed than are absolutely essential to the proper execution of the work to be done; these hands must be fitted to perform properly all the work assigned them, and over all there must be one efficient executive head. This principle is recognized in all great financial systems. Every rail road in the land has laborers on the road and in the shops, on the cars and in the offices, —over each department there are superintendents, and over and above all a president or chief of the whole.

This principle of the division of the elements of an educational system has been applied in some of the states with signal success. In no state, perhaps, has the experiment secured better results than the state of Pennsylvania. A brief synopsis of the system adopted in that state will give the friends of education a clearer appreciation of its value; and the struggles through which it has passed will enable them to realize to some extent what it has accomplished.

Twenty-one years had elapsed since the establishment of the public school system. The people elected the board of school directors in each township, which consisted of six members. Two new members were elected each year. To these were committed the duties of the general supervision of the schools, the levying of school taxes, and the appropriation of school moneys. In addition to these officers, a sub-committee was elected for each school to select the teacher, subject to the approval of the board, to see that the school house was in order, to procure fuel, etc. Thus in a township of six schools there would be a list of six directors and eighteen sub-committee men, or twenty-four school officers. A greater number of schools in a township would require a greater number. Of course, among so many officers the work to be done was in most cases neglected. Teachers were selected often without any examination, or if examinations were required they were made by the doctor or minister or lawyer most convenient for the purpose. The secretary of state was *ex officio* superintendent of schools— a merely nominal office, in which a clerk or two performed all the duties; the chief of which were the compilation of some unimportant and inaccurate tables called statistics, and the payment of the appropriation made by the legislature to the schools. It was, as may readily be conceived, a very imperfect arrangement to secure the education of the children of a great state. Little, or at most a scarcely perceptible progress was made in school matters for twenty-one years.

About 1852 the teachers of the state met in convention at Harrisburg and formed the Pennsylvania state teachers association, which for several years held semi annual sessions, but on account of the size of the state, the difficulty and expense of travel was changed to an annual meeting. About this time was started the Penn. *School Journal* under the management of the Hon. Thos. H. Burrowes, of Lancaster, a man eminently deserving of the title of the "father of the common schools of Penn." This journal has had a marked influence in shaping the educational system of the state, and to it and its esteemed editor, who still sits in the editorial chair, much of the praise for educational progress in Pennsylvania may justly be ascribed.

The teachers association, the school journal, and the influence of some liberal minded men secured the adoption of a new school law. It was, I think in the winter of 1856 that the law was passed. This contained some provisions radically different from the old law. It abolished the office of sub-committee and threw the management of the schools of each township on the six directors. It provided for the election of a county superintendent of schools in each county. It made an appropriation of $100,000 to pay these officers—making in all an appropriation of $300,000 by the state to the schools. Experience had demonstrated that the interests of each school district or township would be best subserved by giving the people the selection of the directors, as the office was only honorary; but it was wisely foreseen that if the selection of county superintendents was given to the people, political demagogues would make it a subject of contention, and the result would be that politicians would be selected instead of good reliable school men. Hence the time of the election was put in the spring, all other elections being held in the fall. It was presumed that the directors of the township schools would know more of the necessities of the office than the people whom they represented, therefore they were wisely selected as the electors, who should assemble at the county seat to choose a suitable man for the position, who, if no serious objections were offered by affidavits properly presented, should receive a commission for three years from the department of public instruction.

The duties of the county superintendent required a great deal of prudence, discretion, and hard work. Most of the officers were really good men, while in some cases the best educated men in the state were selected. Each officer was expected to examine personally all the teachers of his county, and give them certificates of different grades; to visit all the schools; to make addresses to the people on school reforms; to receive and compile all the returns from the township secretary, and if all right to get them warrants for school funds, from the state. He was the adviser and friend of the schools and the arbiter in most cases of their disputes, doing much to prevent litigation and soothe school difficulties. This law also made provisions for the reorganization of the department at Harrisburg.

The law remains in its original features to this day, with many minor improvements which were made as they were needed; and we venture the assertion that, so pleased are the people with the practical wisdom of the superintendency, that they would petition to abolish the entire system as soon as to repeal that particular feature of the law. It has done more for the educational interests of that state than all other improvements combined.

But it may be asked has the superintendency done the same good wherever it has been adopted? No. In some states it was not adopted because educational men demanded and directed it, but simply because it was thought well to be in the educational fashion. In others it was used as a petty political machine to pay off party debts, and in all states where the people elect the officer, on a general election day, the office has not proved of practical value commensurate with the expectations of those who were in favor of its adoption, or the money paid for the services of those who are elected.

In a practical school system the people should control the schools by electing the best men in each community as school directors. Of these the clerk of the board should receive a compensation for services rendered. These directors should meet in convention and elect, if possible, a professional and practical educator, for a long term, determined by law, and fix his salary for the services they wish rendered. These superintendents should be called at stated intervals to the capitol to elect a state superintendent of public instruction, his term and salary to be ascertained by the legislature. Such a system of graduated duty and responsibility would be safe, economical, and representative carrying blessings to every child in the remotest corner of the state, helping every interest of the commonwealth and hindering none.

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| For road purposes, town of Empire City, | 162 64 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Eureka, | 229 47 3 |
| For road purposes, town of Eureka, | 20 19 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Green Vale, | 150 73 5 |
| For road purposes, town of Green Vale, | 59 12 0 |
| For city purposes, town of Hastings, | 1060 00 0 |
| For poor purposes, town of Hastings, | 771 29 4 |
| For bounty to volunteers, Hastings, | 2576 98 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Hampton, | 93 75 5 |
| For town purposes, town of Inver Grove, | 137 05 9 |
| For road purposes, town of Inver Grove, | 187 59 0 |
| For town purposes, town of Lakeville, | 194 59 2 |
| For road purposes, town of Lebanon, | 19 86 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Marshan, | 251 21 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Mendota, | 149 72 4 |
| For road purposes, town of Mendota, | 65 02 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Nininger, | 148 91 4 |
| For town purposes, town of Ravenna, | 150 84 3 |
| For poor purposes, town of Ravenna, | 100 56 2 |
| For town purposes, town of Sciota, | 100 00 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Sciota, | 42 28 5 |
| For road purposes, town of Vermillion, | 207 30 0 |
| For road purposes, town of Waterford, | 35 39 0 |
| For town purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 390 83 1 |
| For road purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 32 97 3 |
| For city purposes, town of West St. Paul, | 740 42 0 |
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*Waterford and Sciota.

I will attend at the following named places in each town for the purpose of receiving taxes, to-wit:

Burnsville school house, Jan. 23.
Castle Rock, Grove school house, Jan. 12.
Douglass, at McLaughlin's, Jan 9.
Eagan, school house in school dist. 14, Jan. 27.
Empire City, Amidon's hotel, Jan. 20.
Eureka, at house of Wm. Poole, Jan. 21.
Greenvale, Cleguc's school house, Jan. 13.
Hampton, at Kranz's school house, Jan. 18.
Hastings, at my office, Jan. 7.
Inver Grove, at Jagoes, Jan. 28.
Lakeville, at Ackley's hotel, Jan. 22.
Lebanon, at the school house, Jan. 25.
Marshan, at Bedwood, Jan. 11.
Mendota, at Sibley's office, Jan. 29.
Nininger, at the house of C. Yeager, Feb. 2.
Randolph, at the house of D. B. Hurlbut, Jan. 16.
Ravenna, at the house of H. C. Lovejoy, Jan. 8.
Rosemount, at the house of John Murphy, Jan. 26.
Sciota, at Lewiston, Jan. 15.
Vermillion, at McKay's, Jan. 19.
Waterford, at the school house, Jan. 14.
West St. Paul, at School house near Hen's store, Jan. 30.

And on and after Feb. 3d, 1864, will attend at my office, in the city of Hastings, to receive taxes from persons wishing to pay the same.

Persons wishing to pay taxes should bring a written description of the property upon which they wish to pay, as no money will be refunded on account of any person having paid upon the wrong description.

A penalty of five per cent will be added to personal taxes not paid before the first day of February next. All moneys received in payment of taxes must be in United States currency.

MICHAEL COMER, County Treasurer.

Hastings, Dec. 17, 1863. 37-1w


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Hastings, Nov. 3, 1863. 30-tf

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Sept. 15, 1863. 23-tf

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A large assortment always on hand, and all to be sold for ready pay only, and at the lowest price.

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Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-6m*

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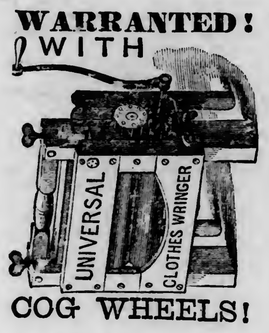


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BY IRVING TODD.

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### The Conscription Act.

Among the many proposed amendments to the so-called conscription act there seems but one of any great utility or importance, and that is the clause which warrants the abrogation of the distinction now made between the two classes, and throwing them into a single category, alike subject to all demands to bear arms made upon them by authority. This we regard as a single act of justice to a numerous portion of our citizens who are so unfortunate as not to have attained a respectable age in the eyes of the law as it now stands. While it is true that the single man, as a general rule, can leave home and its surroundings with less solicitude to himself and others, yet it cannot be denied that he has less at stake than one of family—less to fight for, and it is not fair to compel him to risk his life in a greater proportion than the latter; while to a married man of thirty-five it is still more unjust. His family are usually of that tender age which requires most vigilantly a parent's care and supervision. Then, by doing this—abolishing the classification—the government would secure a much better class of men in the main. It is a well-known fact that a majority of our very best soldiers, those greatest adapted to endure danger and privation, fatigue and disease, are of those advanced in years and beyond the meridian of manhood, and we have the best authority for stating that the greatest power of endurance of such hardships as belong to a soldier's life are found in men over thirty-five years of age; that men from eighteen to thirty are ten times on the sick list where those older are only once; that the records of the hospitals around Wasington develop the fact that, aside from surgical cases, the patients there under thirty-five are *forty* to *one* over that age; consequently a sound man of forty, and of temperate habits, will endure more fatigue and hard treatment than one equally sound at the age of twenty Then let us do away with this restriction, and call into our armies the very best material the country affords. So much the sooner, then, will this unnatural rebellion be crushed and our country brought again to all the enjoyments of peace, doubly blessed by the fiery ordeal through which it has passed.

### The Governor's Message.

The annual message of Gov. Swift to the legislature of this state was delivered on Monday, Jan. 11th. It is an able, straight-forward document, and evinces much sound sense and observation. His recommendations are, in the main, judicious and well timed. The railroad interests are well summed up, and their importance to the commerce of the state made plainly evident. Financially our state is in good condition, there being a balance in the treasury, Dec. 1st, of $119,325 53. He advocates the shortening of the session of the legislature, at a saving of about $2,000 per week, the increase of the governor's salary to living rates, and the establishment of an asylum for the insane. Our Indian and military affairs receive a due share of attention.

Gov. Swift vacates the gubernatorial chair, retaining the good will of the people and their hearty thanks for the zeal and fidelity with which he has looked after the interests of this great common wealth. He leaves the office for a humbler, though not less useful, position in the legislature, where it is presumed he will continue to labor for the welfare of his constituents.

### Mail Route to Shakopee.

We notice that Mr. Ackley has presented a memorial to the legislature asking for the establishment of a mail route between Hastings and Shakopee. We have not time, at the present writing, to go into details, but trust that its advantages will readily be seen by a glance at the map. The people of this county have long desired this, and it has been a fruitful topic of discussion for several years. It is to be hoped that the legislature will take early and favorable action in the premises.

### The Field and Staff Officers of the Second Minnesota Cavalry.

The following appointments of field and staff officers of the Second Cavalry have been made:

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Second Major—Capt. J. M. Thompson, of the Fourth Infantry.

Third Major—Lieutenant Robert H. Rose, of the Second Company of Minnesota Cavalry, (Fifth Iowa Regiment.)

Adjutant—Lieut. P. Morrison, of Dakota County.

Quartermaster—Lieut. Martin Williams, of Nicollet County.

Commissary—Lieut A. J. Whitney, of Ramsey County.

Surgeon—Dr. J. W. Daniels, of Nicollet County, late assistant surgeon of the Sixth Infantry.

First Assistant Surgeon—Dr. J. A. Vervais, of Ramsey County.

Second Assistant Surgeon—Dr. —— Farley, now a private in the Sixth Infantry.

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The Croton Board of New York city laid last year 28,546 feet of water pipe; the total length of mains now in use is 296 miles. The new reservoir holds 1,000,000,000 of gallons, all others 195,000,000. The city demands 52,405,517 gallons per day, about 60 gallons or two barrels for each inhabitant. The amount received from water rents and penalties was $880,958.90, being an increase over the previous year of $97,723.30.

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A Richmond paper, after bewailing the hungry condition of the confederacy, gives the following poser for its fellow rebels to study over: "If the people are fed, the army must suffer; if the army is fed, the people must starve; and if the people starve, what's the use of the army?" The qustion is a puzzling one, and the rebels had better "give it up."

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The inauguration of the state officers elect for the two ensuing years took place on the 13th inst. The oaths of office were administered by chief justice Emmott, and after the conclusion a national salute was fired. Gov. Miller's address is a sound, practical state paper, and evinces much observation and judgment.

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The Winnebago City *Whig* says: "We have hopes for the *Whig*. One copy has been ordered by the legislature. There are 42 members in the House and 21 in the Senate, total 63. They have voted themselves $10 each for newspapers. Total amount $630. Of this plunder we shall get the sum total of 40 cents."

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Judge Caleb B. Smith, of the U. S. Court for the district of Indiana, was seized, Thursday morning, with an attack of hemorrhage of the lungs, and died the same evening. Judge Smith recently held the position of Secretary of the Interior.

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It has been ascertained that while the shoes of the white soldiers range from No. 5 to No. 11 in size, those of the negro regiments range from No. 11 to No. 15. Who says these fellows are not just the ones to put their foot into the rebellion.

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Mr. N. Pierce, of East Lexington, Mass., has carried milk to Boston for sixty-three years, rising at 4 o'clock every morning. For sixteen years he has not not missed a day in the personal delivery of his milk, and he still keeps at it.

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The coming report of the commissioner of patents will show the receipts of the patent office for the last year to be $43,000 more than the expenditures, which, during the present prostrated condition of inventions, is considered quite favorable.

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Gammon, says the Milwaukee *Sentinel*, is the name of a lecturer who is now delighting the people of Port Washington. It ought to be the name of a good many lecturers.

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Gov. Miller has re-appointed Col. Oscar Malmros as adjutant, quartermaster, and inspecter-general of the military forces of this state.

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Henry L. Moss, esq., has been confirmed as district attorney for Minnesota, in place of Geo. A. Nourse, resigned.

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The death of William Makepeace Thackeray, the celebrated novelist, is announced in English papers.

### Leap Year.

This *Anno Domini* 1864 is one of the periodical passages of time vulgarly denominated leap year, from an old Latin verb *leap-o, leap-i-du, leap-i-dum*, signifying to skip or run. Anciently, it is said, four maidens ran a foot race for a single lover, and, in imitation of this most praiseworthy act, every fourth year the ladies of the present day engage in a general scramble for sweethearts and husbands. Although but half of the first month of the year has passed, we have had a little experience in its joys and sorrows, a synopsis of which, if not of particular interest to the reader, will relieve *us* muchly. "Open confessions are good for the soul," so here goes.

Our troubles commenced on New Year's day. As you will recollect, it was a bitter cold morning, particularly suggestive of warm fires and little outdoor work. We had returned to the office from breakfast, about nine A. M., and were contemplatively picking our teeth and toasting our toes before a roaring blaze, when, lo and behold! a young, fair-haired, red-cheeked damsel popped in and invited us to sleighride. We plead headache, cold weather, and general indisposition, but to no purpose. Go we must and should, and go we did. We rode. We froze both our ears, our feet, five fingers on one hand and four and thumb on the other, and our nose. Our tongue was so chilled that we havn't been able to speak the truth since. (Our family physician, however, assures us 'pon honor that this injury is by no means permanent.) The only warm spot about us was our lips, which, by dint of violent exercise and constant attention, were prevented from sharing the unlucky fate of the other members. The next day ditto, and more so. The next, more ditto—were invited out to church in the evening—couldn't do otherwise than accept—and had the satisfation of seeing the girl we think most of beaued home by that hateful Jenkins. The day that scraggy old maid, Miss X——, asked us to walk, and walk it was. She insisted on our taking her arm in the public street in the day time, and every girl in town was out shopping, and of course met us, giggling and laughing. Miss X—— simpered and wondered that people *would* talk so. We promised four different girls the privilege of our company to the sociable, and they all met on the stairs. Such a squabble never was heard before. Finally they compromised by casting lots, and the three unfortunate ones turned their backs sorrowing. We had nine invitations to the festival last week, and couldn't go with but one. We ate all the supper, oysters, ice-cream, candy, etc., we were capable of—*at our own expense*—the young lady's papa having unfortunately gone down town before she had an opportunity of asking him for his pocket-book. To make a long story short, as the novelists say, it is leap year, and we've had enough of it. Wish we could leap—out of it, too. We have our drawer full of love letters and billets, and a peck more that we haven't found time yet to read. We have already received fifteen proposals of marriage—all of them accepted, of course—three of them to come off on the same day. We have our doubts about surviving it, but who could refuse the dear creatures? They are so fascinating, and have such pretty, engaging ways.

P. S. We would privately and confidentially inform any young lady that we are still in the market. Don't be bashful.

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### General Headquarters, State of Minnesota.

ADJT. GEN.'S OFFICE,
ST. PAUL, MIN., Jan. 16, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 2.

It is hereby announced, that pursuant to law the liberal bounties allowed prior to January 5th, 1864, viz: $302 to raw recruits, and $402 to veteran volunteers will be paid until March 1st, 1864.

The commander-in-chief takes this opportunity of expressing the expectation, that the people of all the towns in the state, will prove equally patriotic, by promptly sending forth, from among their number, of their own free will, their proper share of men, to swell the army of the union, battling for the country and the rights of men.

The thinned ranks of our regiments in the field must be filled, with the least practicable delay by volunteering, if possible, by draft, from delinquent towns, if necessary.

The quotas of the several towns will be announced in a few days.

By order of the commander-in-chief.

OSCAR MALMROS,
Adjutant General.

For the Conserver.

### An Appeal for the Drunken.

Among all the evils that curse our land, the greatest and most dreadful is intemperance, yet how few cry against it. I take up a paper, as we all do at present, eager to find how the war is progressing, if there is not a prospect of a speedy restoration of peace to our distracted country; and if the report be favorable my heart swells with gratitude to God as the controller, Abraham Lincoln the leader, and our brave fathers, sons, and brothers as the sacrifice by which the great work is to be accomplished. And with mingled feelings of pride and pity for the dear friends thus offered, I fold the paper, and for a time fancy that all the suffering, all the sacrifice, is on the battle field; but ere the tear of sympathy has been dried or the loved lost out of mind, I am startled by a hurrah and a trampling of feet. I rush to the window, and what I sight do I behold; half the town are present or passing—all classes in a confused mass. Some cursing, some fighting, and others (more refined,) laughing and crying "take him along." I look for the cause, and lo and behold, it is *rum's victim*; and on they go with the wrong person to the wrong place. Soon quiet is restored. The blood-stained police retires from the scene of action where he has so nobly done his duty; the mechanic to his shop, the boyto school, leading his bare-headed sister, each to their respective duties; and I, with a trembling hand and indignant spirit, set down and try to work, hoping that I may be excused from another like sight for a while at least; but soon the children running in, in great excitement, say, "mother, there is a man out back of the house, come and see what ails him;" and sure enough, there he lies, a stone for his pillow, poor fellow, as unconscious as if he was sleeping his last sleep. What can I do is my first inquiry? What would I wish others to do were it my son or brother? is the question, and as soon the answer: not let the brute lie there, he is not fit to live; but take that stone away, change his position, cover him from the cold and from the gaze of the public. But I am a woman, propriety forbids it; were he a wounded soldier it would be honorable in me to administer to his necessities, but he is a drunkard—it is beneath the dignity of a lady, says custom. Thus slighting the promptings of conscience, and bound by public opinion, I leave the poor fellow, go to my room, and these are my thoughts: Happy for that man had he died in childhood, and woe to the man or men that have caused his fall. Christians, where are you? Are *you* doing your duty? Is it enough that you attend church, make long prayers, give liberally to benevolent objects connected with your religious institutions? Is not the sphere of action you have chosen too limited? Ought it not to embrace the whole of mankind? Can you live in discharge of duty as a christian and pass in silence by these *traps* set for the unwary, and not stop and kindly reprove? Can you see one brother deal death eternal to another and not even ask him to stop? Can you turn a deaf ear to the groans and prayers of the wife and mothers as they go up in behalf of the parent of her half famished children? Can you be silent and see all this and say I am a christian—I have done my duty? If you hold your peace "will not these stones cry out"—will not some judgment overtake you and you have to suffer the penalty of a broken law? "in as much as ye did it not unto these ye did it not unto me." You who can boast of wealth and position may coldly turn your back upon honest, industrious laborers, who, in consequence of their honesty, dwell in obscurity, and are poorly clad. They can live without your sympathies, for *they* are strong, being sound at heart; but don't treat with indifference the poor, inebriate. You know not what may have caused his fall. The same blessing of which you can boast may have proved his curse, or disappointments chilling as the wind may have crossed his path and swept away his fondest hopes, or, should he tell you his history, his language might be, I was an orphan; none cared for me; alone and friendless I wandered from place to place, unloved, unnoticed, except by the eye of scorn; no kind word of sympathy for me in my poverty, no gentle voice to call me from the path of vice, nor soft hand to wipe away the tear of penitence, and point me to the orphan's friend; no praying mother to kneel beside her son and call for heaven's protection. All these safe guards were denied me, weak and helpless, I have fallen, and who shall extend the hand of charity and help me rise? Christians, I look to you. Are you my friends? Will you help to deliver me from the hand of my enemies, or must I perish? Christian reader, shall we not awaken to such appeals, or shall we sleep on till they are heard coming from our own loved and lost.

E. L.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO LIQUOR SELLERS.—Resolved, That the county auditor be directed to notify the different retailers of spirituous liquors in this county, through the columns of the newspapers published in this county, that they will be required, prior to the 1st day of February, 1864, to make application through the county auditor and obtain a license to retail the same according to the provisions of the law regulating the sale of the same, under the penalty of prosecution; and all those who have sold spirituous liquors during the past year and have not complied with the law are required to come forward and pay up past arrearages.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution passed by the board of county commissioners at their January session, 1864.

Dated Hastings, Jan. 7, 1864.

L. SMITH, Co. Auditor,
41-1t Dakota County, Minn.

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Pratt keeps one door east of post-office, on Second Street.

Hastings, Jan. 15, 1864. 41-tf

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MORTGAGE SALE.—DEFAULT HAVING been made in the conditions of the mortgage executed by Eli B. Ames and Delia Ann Ames, his wife, the mortgagors, to Levi G. Boyington, the mortgagee, dated the thirteenth day of July, A. D. 1859, recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Dakota County, in the state of Minnesota, on the 29th day of July, 1859, at 1 o'clock P. M., in book H of mortgages, pages 455 and 456, given to secure the payment of the sum of thirteen hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents and interest according to the conditions of three certain promissory notes, given by Edward Murphy to said Levi G. Boyington, and each bearing date July 13th, 1859, and one payable in twelve months, one in eighteen months, and one in two years from date, with interest at the rate of one per cent per month from date till paid, of and upon the following real estate, situated in said Dakota County, or mortgaged premises, to-wit: the south-east quarter of the south-west quarter of section number five, township number one hundred and fourteen, north range number seventeen west, containing forty acres of land.

Which said mortgage with the debt due thereon has been, by assignment in writing dated the 17th day of April, A.D. 1860, duly assigned by the said Levi C. Boyington to Horace H Sickles, which said assignment was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds for said Dakota County, in book N of mortgages, on page 185, on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1863.

Upon which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, and is due at the date of this notice, the sum of two thousand and twenty-six dollars and seventy-six cents. And no suit or proceedings has been instituted at law to recover the said debt or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that, by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, of the statute in such case made and provided, the said aforesaid described real estate and mortgaged premises will be sold at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the sheriff's office, in the city of Hastings, in said Dakota County, and state of Minnesota, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1864, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satify the amount due thereon, and costs and expenses allowed by law.

Dated Jan. 13, 1864.

HORACE H. SICKLES,
41-td Assignee of Mortgagee.
Eli Robinson, Atty. of Assignee.

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PHOTOGRAPHS AND

AMBROTYPES!

The undersigned has established himself in the rooms over Thorne, Norrish, & Co.'s store, where he is prepared to take all kinds of Pictures in the best of styles and at low rates. Call and examine specimens.

E. A. BEACH, Photograph Artist.
Hastings, Jan. 9, 1864. 39-tf

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

**P. O. Notice.--Winter Arrangement.**

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.

WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

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COUNCIL MEETING.—The next meeting of the common council will be at the clerk's office on Monday evening, 25th inst.

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CLOTHING.—Read PRATT's new advertisement in this issue, and then call and see him. You will save time and money by it. Try and see.

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FOUND.—At the Festival last Friday evening, at Teutonia Hall, a black leather memorandum book, of no value save to the owner. It can be had by calling at this office and paying for notice.

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CIGARS.—The place to get SIMON pure cigars is at the manufactory, Second Street. The best brands of smoking, chewing, and snuff tobacco always on hand.

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FOR THE FORT.—Mr. JOHN WHITE goes up to the fort the middle of this week, and any letters or small packages entrusted to his care for our soldiers there will be safely delivered.

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APPOINTMENT.—H. E. DESCARIES has been appointed postmaster at Mendota, in this county. He is most deserving of the place, and will make an excellent officer.

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ANDREW'S, on Second Street, is the place to get repairing and engraving done at short notice and reasonable rates. Leave your orders and they will be faithfully attended to. Call in and examine specimens.

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RECRUITING.—The time has been extended for paying the government bounties of $302 for new recruits and $402 to veterans until the 1st of March, and towns which have not yet done so may fill up their quotas. I. M. RAY is recruiting officer for this county.

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STANLEY'S EMPORIUM, on Ramsey Street, is the place to buy blank books, stationery, Yankee notions, etc. A fine lot of miscellaneous and school books on hand. Cartes de visite and photographic albums, of various styles and prices, for sale. Call in.

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OUR SENATOR.—We notice that Hon D. F. LANGLEY, senator from this county, is upon the following standing committees:

Finance,
Education.
Federal Relations.

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The Hastings papers announces the marriage of J. L. THORNE, whose picture upon the bills of the Bank of Hastings has been so universally admired by the ladies.—*Stillwater Messenger.*

A slight mistake, that is in the name of the bank. The other assertion no one disputes.

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JEWELRY, WATCHES, AND CLOCKS, cheap for cash down, at MACOMBER'S Second Street. The only complete assortment of silver and plated ware in town. All sorts of repairing and engraving done to order. Drop in and take a look at things, and if you see anything you don't want, ask for it.

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FESTIVAL.—The festival at Teutonia Hall last Friday evening, for the benefit of Rev. T. M. GOSSARD, was well attended and passed off very pleasantly. About $100 was realized in money, besides a few other things. It will prove most acceptable to the worthy pastor.

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AUCTION SALES.—We would remind our readers that no one is lawfully entitled to sell goods at public vendue unless he be regularly licensed as an auctioneer. We have one such in this town, Mr. P. B. COOK, who will be very happy to attend sales in all parts of the county. By employing him the goods will be sold to better advantage and a heavy penalty avoided.

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SHIP BUILDING.—Capt. ISAAC GRAY of Stillwater, is commencing to build a steamer opposite our levee, and the materials are mostly on the ground. The boat is to be 120 feet keel by 22 feet beam, and destined for the St. Croix trade in place of the *H. S. Allen*, whose machinery will be taken out for the new vessel. The *Allen* draws too much water, some 23 inches, while this one is calculated for 11.

A cabin is also to be built on the *G. H. Gray*, laid up here for the winter, fitting her as a passenger boat for the same trade. These boats will form a daily line between Prescott and Taylor Falls next season, connecting with the La Crosse packets.

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VISIT FROM RED WING.—We see by the *Republican* that preparations are being made for a ride to this place, on or about next Tuesday, 26th inst. We trust the fun-loving people of Hastings will be in readiness to receive them in open arms. These fraternal visits from neighboring cities are very beneficial in their results, and we hope to see them properly encouraged. We take the liberty to extend them a general invitation. Come along, all of you.

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A SUCCESSFUL MERCHANT.—It will be remembered that we published an article several weeks since under the above captain, which was copied in several Pennsylvania papers with editorial comments. That of the Chautangua *Democrat* seems so appropriate that we transfer it to our columns:

"Most of our readers are aware that MARK WILLSON esq., formerly of Sugar Grove, has removed to Minnesota, and it will be seen from the above that he is well established at Hastings in the mercantile business. Esq. WILLSON for many years was one of the prominent business men of Warren County, and his numerous friends in this vicinity will be pleased to hear of his success in his new location. We congratulate the citizens of Hastings on the acquisition of so good a business man and capitalist as MARK WILLSON. We hope to number him among our occasional western correspondents."

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.—The annual meeting of the county board took place in Hastings on the 15th inst. The various county officers elected filed their bonds, which were accepted. They are as follows:

Stephen Newell,—Sheriff.
Michael Comer,—Treasurer.
Seagrave Smith,—Judge of Probate.
T. R. Huddleston,—Attorney.
C. B. Lowell—Surveyor.
Edmund Eichhorn,—Register of Deeds.
Wm. Felton,—Coroner.

A. W. Gardner, H. Sprague, G. Bohrer, H. M. Tew, and Jas. Callan, commissioners.

H. J. Taylor, of Randolph, was appointed school examiner in the second commissioner district, in place of Dr. Potts, deceased.

School Districts No. 57 and 58, in town of Hampton, were united.

Adjourned till Tuesday, March 8th, 1864, at 10 A. M.

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AGRICULTURAL MEETING.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society held their annual meeting on the 9th inst., at Follett & Renick's Bank in the city of Hastings, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

HENRY SPRAGUE,—*President,*
IRVING TODD,—*Secretary.*
*Board of Directors*—REUBEN CECIL, JAMES ARCHER, S. C. HOWELL, WILLIAM JONES, S. G. RENICK, ISAAC HESLETT, and MICHAEL COEMR.

On motion, HENRY SPRAGUE, WILLIAM JONES, and D. B. TRUAX, were elected delegates to the state agricultural convention.

On motion of S. G. RENICK, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That this society invite the farmers from this and adjoining counties to meet in the city of Hastings, at Teutonia Hall, on Saturday, the 30th of January, 1864, at 1 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a joint stock company to purchase a fair ground and to reorganize the agricultural society of Dakota County on a new basis, and the farmers are urgently solicited to turn out on that day and organize a society that shall be a credit to our county and state, which can be done if the farmers will only look to their interest. Then let the farmers come up on that day and show that they are living men, and know their true interest and mean to carry them out.

On motion, the society adjourned to the 30th day of January, 1864.

S. G. RENICK, *Pres. protem.*
WM. JONES, *Sect. protem.*

### MARRIED.

In the town of Castle Rock, on the 5th inst., by E. B. Higgins, esq., Mr. JAMES WHITEMORE, of the 8th Regt. Minn. Vol., and Miss MARY A. MC NUTT, of Castle Rock.

### DIED.

In this city, on the morning of the 12th inst., WILLIE H. son of D. H. and Mary E. BUTLER, aged 1 year, 9 months, and 11 days.

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Hastings, Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**The Press Reporters.**

We extract from *Round the Block* the following concerning these useful and hard-worked members of society:

"At a long table in the center of the room were seated several young gentlemen, dressed with singular independence of style. From one point of view they looked like actors, bearing about them signs of fatigue, as if from heavy night work. Observed again, they resembled young lawyers of the indolent habits and scanty practice, who had just dropped in to watch the case.

"From their conversation no clue to their professional identity could be gathered. They were cracking jokes, propounding conundrums, and telling stories humorously broad to each other. Everything was to them a legitimate amusement. The proceedings of the day before were peculiarly rich with funny reminiscences; and one tall, bright, curly-haired fellow was evoking roars of laughter by his capital mimicry of two of the dullest witnesses. Another was drawing comic profiles of a sleepy juryman on a scrap of paper. He had previously dashed off a very happy sketch of the coroner, and had shown it to that functionary, who 'haw-hawed' and pronounced it 'devilish good,' and, in turn, presented the young artist with a fine Havana cigar, which he playfully put in his mouth and chewed the end off. Yet there were about these young gentlemen signs of business, which an intelligent observer might have easily interpreted. From the outside breast pockets of each of each of them protruded a number of pencils, and from their lower side pockets thick memorandum books with gray covers, or stiffly folded quires of foolscap.

"These were the reporters of the press—the gamins and good fellows of literature—fellows of inexhaustible resources, who carry their wits literally at their fingers' end—who can do more than extract sunbeams from cucumbers; for they can make up thrilling facts out of nothing—who can thread their way through a crowd where a tape-worm would be squeezed to death—whose writing desk is usually another man's back; and who sketch out a much better speech between an orator's shoulder-blades than he is making in front—whose written language is a perplexity compared with which Greek is a relaxation and Sanscrit a positive amusement—who deal in adjectives, know their precise value, and how to administer them, as an apothecary knows how the drugs that are boxed and bottled on his shelves—who are less men than parts of an enormous mill grinding out grists to be brayed and bolted in the editorial rooms, made into food in the printing office and press vault, and served up hot for the public's breakfast next morning.

"Clever, witty, insatiable fellows they, for whom a planet ought to be set apart, where all the murders are wrapped in impenetratable mystery, and the smallest railroad accidents are frightful catastrophes."

**An Editor in Heaven.**

Under the above caption an exchange gives an obituary of a brother of the quill, from which he extract the closing paragraph:

"Are we not glad that such an editor is in heaven? There the cry of 'more copy' shall fall upon his ears. There he will no more be abused by his political antagonists with lies and detractions that should shame a demon to promulgate. There he shall no more be used as a ladder for the aspiring to kick down as soon as they reach the desired height and need him no more. There he shall be able to see the immense masses of mind he has moved, all unknowingly and unknown, as he has been during his weary pilgrimage on earth. There he will find all his articles credited, not a peal of thunder stolen, and no typographical errors to throw him into a fever. We are glad the editor is in heaven."

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By the new census just taken in England, there are some very interesting items as to the employments of women. They do not seem to be excluded from the business of life as much as in this country. The report says that seventeen are bankers and money-lenders, two hundred and forty-four commercial clerk, four hundred printers, fifteen are doctors, six are reporters, seventeen are dentists, and forty-four thousand are out-door laborers, engaged as field hands, and doing everything which is connected with farm work. There are many more who are designers and draughtsmen, and engravers upon wood, many of whom are artists of a high order.

**Taken Prisoner.**

"No rent again this month? This is the third time it has happened within the half-year. I'll go there myself and get the money, or I'll know the reason why!"

Mr. Matthew Deane was in a particularly bad humor this raw December morning. Stocks had fallen when they should have risen—his clerk had tipped over his inkstand on his special and peculiar heap of papers—the fire obstinately refused to burn in the grate—in short, nothing went right, and Mr. Deane was consequently and correspondingly cross.

"Jenkins?"

"Yes, sir."

"Go to the Widow Clarkson's, and tell her I shall be there in just half an hour, and shall expect, confidentially—mind, Jankins, *confidentially*—to receive that rent money, or else I shall feel myself obliged to resort to the extremest measures. You understand, Jenkins?"

"Certainly, sir."

"Then don't stand staring there, like an idiot," snarled Mr. Deane, in a sudden burst of irritation, and Jenkins disappeared like a shot.

Just half an hour afterwards, Mr. Matthew Deane brushed the brown hair, just sprinkling with gray, away from his square yet not unkindly brow, put on his fur-lined overcoat, and walked forth into the chill winter air, fully determined, figuratively, to annihilate the defaulting Widow Clarkson.

It was a dwarfish little red brick house which appeared originally to have aspired to two-story hoodlot, but cramped by circumstances, and settled down into a story and a half, yet the windows shown like Brazilian pebbles, and the door-steps were worn down by much scouring. Neither of these circumstances, however, did Mr. Deane remark, as he pulled the glittering brass door knob and strode into Mrs. Clarkson's neat parlor.

There was a small fire—very small, as if every lump of anthracite were hoarded—in the stove, and at a table, with writing implements before her, sat a young lady, whom Mr. Deane at once recognized as Mrs. Clarkson's niece, Miss Olive Mellen. She was not disagreeable to look upon, though you would never have thought of classing her among the beauties, with shining black hair, blue, long-lashed eyes, and a very pretty mouth, hiding teeth like rice-kernels, so white were they.

Miss Mellen rose, with a polite nod, which was grimly reciprocated by Mr. Deane.

"I called to see your aunt, Miss Mellen."

"I know it, sir, but as I am aware of her timid temperament, I sent her away. I prefer to deal with you myself."

Mr. Deane stared—the cool audacity of this damsel in gray, with scarlet ribbons in her hair, rather astonished him.

"I suppose the money is ready?"

"No, sir, it is not."

"Then, Miss Olive—pardon me, but I must speak plainly—I shall send an officer here this afternoon to put a valuation on the furniture, and—"

"You'll do nothing of the kind, sir."

Olive's cheek had reddened, and her eyes flashed portentiously. Mr. Deane turned towards the door, but ere he knew what she was doing, she had walked quietly across the room, locked the door and taken out the key—then she resumed her seat.

"What does this mean?" ejaculated the astonished prisoner of war.

"It means, sir," said Olive, "that you will now be obliged to reconsider the question."

"Obliged?"

"Yes—you will hardly jump out of the window, and there is no other method of egress, unless you choose to go up the chimney. Now then, Mr. Deane, will you tell me if you—a Christian man in the nineteenth century—intend to sell a poor widow's furniture? Listen sir."

Mr. Deane had opened his mouth to remonstrate, but Olive enforced her words with a very emphatic little stamp of her foot, and he was, as it were, stricken dumb.

"You are what the world calls a rich man, Mr. Deane, you own rows of houses, piles of bank stocks, railroad shares, bonds, and mortgages—who knows what all?" My aunt has nothing—I support her by copying. Now, if this case be carried into a court of law, my poor ailing aunt would be the sufferer—you would emerge unscratched and profiting? You are not a bad man, Mr. Deane—you have a great many noble qualities, and I like you for them!"

She paused an instant, and looked gravely and intently at Mr. Deane. The color rose to his cheek—it was not disagreeable to be told by a pretty young girl that she "liked him" on any terms, yet she had indulged in pretty plain speaking!

"I have heard," she went on, "of your doing kind acts, when you were in the humor for it. You can do them, and you shall in this instance. You are cross this morning—you know you are! Hush, no excuses—you are selfish, and irritable, and over bearing! If I were your mother, and you were my little boy, I should probably put you in a corner until you promised to be good."

Mr. Deane smiled a little, although he was getting angry. Olive went on with the utmost composure.

"But as it is, I shall only keep you here a prisoner until you have behaved, and give me your word not to annoy my aunt again for the rent untill she is able to pay you. Then, and not till then, will you receive your money. Do you promise? Yes, or no!"

"I certainly shall agree to no such terms:" said Matthew, tartly.

"Very well, sir, I can wait."

Miss Mellen deposited the key in the pocket of her gray dress, and sat down the or copying. Had she been a man, Mr. Deane would probably have knocked her down, but as it was, she wore an invisible armor of power, in the very fact that she was a fragile, slight woman. And she knew it.

"Miss Olive," he said sternly, "let us terminate this mummery. Unlock that door!"

"Mr. Deane, I will not."

"I shall shout and alarm the neighborhood, then, or call in a policeman."

"Very well, Mr. Deane—do so if you like!"

She dipped her pen in the ink, and began on a fresh page. Matthew sat down, puzzled and discomforted, watching the long lashed eyes and faintly-tinted cheek of his keeper. She was very pretty—what a pity she was so obstinate.

"Miss Olive!"

"Sir?"

"The clock has just struck twelve."

"I heard it!"

"I should like to go out and get some some lunch!"

"I am sorry that luxury is out of your power!"

"But I am confoundedly hungry."

"Are you?"

"And I am not going to stand this sort of a thing any longer!"

"No?"

How provokingly nonchalant she was. Mr. Deane eyed the pocket of the gray dress greedily, and walked up and down the room pettishly.

"I have made an appointment at one!"

"Indeed! What a pity you will be unable to keep it."

He took another turn across the room. Olive looked up with a smile.

"Well—are you ready to promise?"

"Hang it, yes! What else can I do?"

"You promise?"

"I do—because I can't help myself!"

Olive drew the key from her pocket, with softened eyes.

"You have made me very happy, Mr. Deane. I dare say you may think me unwomanly and unfeminine, but indeed you do not know to what extremities we are driven by our poverty. Good morning, sir!"

Mr. Deane sallied forth with a curious complication of thoughts and emotions struggling through his brain, in which gray dresses, long-lashed blue eyes, and scarlet ribbons, played a prominent part!

"Did you get the money, sir?" asked his clerk, when he walked into the office.

"Mind your own business, sir!" was the tart response.

"I pity her husband," he thought, as he began to turn over the papers on his. "How she will hen-peck him! By the way, I wonder who her husband will be?"

The next day he called at the Widow Clarkson's to assure Miss Mellen that he had no idea of breaking his promise—and the next one after that he came, but to tell the young lady she need entertain no doubts of his integrity. And the next week he dropped in upon them with no particular errand to serve as an excuse.

"And when shall we be married, Olive? Next month, dearest? Do not let us put it off later!"

"I have no wish but yours, Matthew."

"Really, Miss Olive Mellen, to hear that meek tone one would suppose you had never locked me up here, and tyrenized over me as a jailor!"

Olive burst into a merry laugh.

"You dear old Matthew, I gave you warning beforehand that I meant to have my own way in everything. Do you wish, now, to recede from our bargain? It isn't too late yet."

No, Matthew Deane didn't—he had a vague idea that it would be very pleasant to be hen-pecked by Olive.

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A HAPPY WOMAN.—What spectacle more pleasing does the world present than a happy woman contented in her sphere, ready at all times to benefit her little world by the magic of her touch? There are those who are thus happy because they cannot help it—no misfortunes dampen their sweet smiles, and they diffuse a cheerful glow around them as they pursue the even tenor of their way. They have the secret of contentment, whose value is above the philosopher's stone; for without seeking the baser exchange of gold, which may buy some sorts of pleasure, they convert everything they touch into joy. What their condition is makes no difference. They may be rich or poor, high or low, admired or forsaken by the fickle world; but the sparkling fountain of happiness bubbles up in their hearts and makes them radiantly beautiful. Though they live in a log cabin, they make it shine with lustre which kings and queens may covert, and they make wealth a fountain of blessings to the children of poverty. Happy women are the highest types of humanity, and we cannot say how much we owe to them the progress of the race. Would there were enough to go round!

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It is almost frightful, and altogether humiliating, to think how much there is in the common on-going of domestic and social life, which deserves nothing but to be instantly and forever forgotten. Yet it is equally amazing how large a class seem to have no other business but to repeat and perpetuate these very things. This is the vocation of gossip—an order of society that perpetrates more mischief than all the combined plagues of Egypt together. You may have noticed how many speeches there are which become mischievous by being heard a second time; and what an army of both sexes are resolved that the fatal repetition shall take place. Blessed is the man or woman that can let drop all the burs and thistles, instead of picking them up and fastening them on the next passenger!

## AGRICULTURAL.

**Ik Marvel as a Farmer.**

In his last book, "My Farm at Edgwood," Ike Marvel describes the farm hand of the olden time, now, alas! no more, but instead of whom is the machine laborer. The man of faculty has departed, leaving as his successor one vastly inferred to him. We copy the picture:

There lived some twenty or thirty years ago in New England a race of men American born, and who, having gone through a two winters course of district school ciphering and reading, with copped tow-heads, became the most indefatigable and ingenious of farm workers. Their hoeing was a sleight of hand; they could make an ox yoke or an ax-helve on rainy days; by adroit manipulation, they could relieve a choking cow, or as deftly hive a swarm of bees. Their furrows were not of the straightest, but their control of a long team of oxen was a miracle of guidance. They may have carried a bit of Cavendish twist in their waistcoat pockets; they certainly did not waste time at libations; but as farmworkers they had rare aptitude; no tool came amiss to them; they chop and pile their three cords of wood between sun and sun.

When bare feet, and a keen whetted six pound Blanchard, they laid such clean and broad swaths through the fields of dewy herdgrass as made "old countrymen" stare. By a kind of intuition, they knew the locality of every tree, and of every medical herb that grew in the woods; rarest of all which they possessed was acuteness of understanding, which enabled them to comprehend an order before it was half uttered, and to meet occasionally and unforeseen difficulties with a steady assurance, as if they had been an accepted part of the problem. It was possible to send such a man into a wood with his team, to select a stick of timber, of chesnut or oak, that should measure a given amount; he could be trusted to find such—to cut it, to score it, to load it; if the tree lodged, he could be trusted to devise some artifice for bringing it down; and, finally for its sure and prompt delivery at the point indicated.

Your Irishman, on the other hand, balks at the first turn; he must have a multitude of chains; he needs a boy to aid him with the team and another to carry a bar; he spends an hour in his doubtful estimate of dimensions; but "begorra it's a lumpish tree,', and he thwacks into the rind a foot or two from the ground,so as to leave a "nate" Irish stump. Half through the hole, he begins to doubt if indeed it be a chestnut or a poplar; and casting his eye aloft to measure it anew,an ancient woodpecker drops something smarting in his eye and his howl starts the ruminating team into a confused entanglement among the young wood. Having eased his pain and extricated his cattle he pushes on with his ax; and presently, witha light crash of pliant boughs, his timber is lodged in the top of an adjoining tree. He tugs, and strains, and swears, and splits the helve of his ax in adapting it for a lever, and presly, near to noon, comes back for three or four hands to give him a boost with the tree. Your return—to find the team strayed through a gate left open, into a thriving corn-field, and one of your pet tulip trees lodged in a lithe young hickory. "Och! and it's a toolip—it is! and I was thinkin' 'twas never a chestnut; bogorra, it's lucky thin it didn't come down intirely."

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KINDNESS TO ANIMALS.—Gentleness, like charity, is twice blessed—the effects of which on the animals around the homestead are scarcely less noticeable than upon the family of your household. No man can be truly kind to the latter without letting his cattle feel the influence of his spirit. Soft words and kind looks turn away wrath among cattle as among mankind. Harshness has its curse in the hatred which the "brute beasts" feel, though they cannot utter their scorn, except in occasional kicks or bites, and by general "ugliness," as it is called. An ear of corn, or a little salt, or a lock of hay, or even a kind look or gentle action, such as petting your horse, has influence more or less in making your appearance always a source of pleasure to the animals around you. It is cheap luxury this, of rendering even the brute beasts comfortable around your homestead.

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THE MULE.—A correspondent of the Wisconsin *Farmer* sums up the merits of the mule as compared with the horse, as follows:

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2. He eats but little more than half as much when matured.
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4. It costs less to keep him in harness and shoes.
5. He is proportionately stronger.
6. He is very much tougher.
7. He is less liable to disease.
8. He has more sense and docility.

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THE FUTURE OF HORSES.—The drain upon the serviceable horses of the country has been so great,that the horse interest is bound to go up; and among the best investments of living stock now to be made will be the purchase of likely colts for raising to maturity; the next to this the breeding of good horse stock for the future supply. Now that the practice of government agents has cleared the country of low-priced animals, let us turn over a new leaf in our style of horse breeding, and go in for something that will do good service and command good prices.

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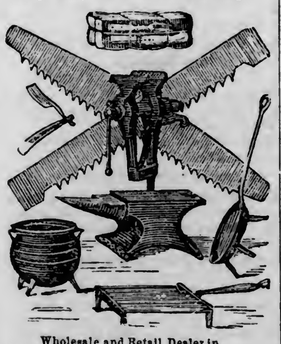

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Your favor of the 3d inst., has remained unanswered because the preparation of my annual report has occupied all my time.

The action of your legislature in the management of your educational interests had inspired me with hope for the future of your young state. It was, therefore, with deep regret that I witnessed the action of that body with reference to the superintendency of schools.

Congress has given your state noble grants for the maintenance of public schools and for university purposes. It is well that these funds be sacredly cared for. Experience has demonstrated the truth of the assertion "that liberal appropriations and legislative enactments cannot of themselves impart to any system that vitality essential to success." An elightened public opinion is absolutely essential to ultimate and permanent success. This public opinion is not a creature of impulse It is the result of education. The intellect must be trained to perceive the claims of any cause before us, that the heart may feel these claims. Hence in the establishment of any system much preparatory work needs to be done. Especially is this true in the establishment of a school system, which affects more interests than any other which touches us at more points than any other. The individual, the social, the political, the moral interests of our children are most intimately connected with the cause of popular education. It is a cause, too, in which the state has a vital interest. Her security and her perpetuity rests upon the intelligence, refinement and virtue of her people—not alone the wealthy, who can procure for themselves the privileges of school—but the toiling thousands, who make up the bulk of the voting, and so far controlling people. These thousands must look to the state for that education which shall fit them to became intelligent and useful citizens. Economy demands the establishment of a system of free schools. Without system money is wasted and effort paralized. To secure system some molding, directing, controlling agency is essential. This agency must be devoted solely to this one work. Its importance forbids that it be made subordinate to any other.

A few of the states, upon the adoption of a free school system, gave the superintendency into the hands of an officer who was principally occupied with other business, often entirely at variance with school work, and demanding an order of talent ill adapted to the furtherance of the cause of popular education. Of course the care of the school system was secondary importance, and was attended to only when inclination or convenience dictated. Such superintendency gave no vitality to the system. Local officers did the best they could, but there was no head to direct, or to secure uniformity in their action, or to give force to the measures adopted by them. The whole school system was but an aggregation of distinct and often inharmonious agencies. A few years have shown to such states the utter worthlessness of such subordination of school interests, and to-day there is not a state that prides itself upon a liberal free school system that has not placed that system under charge of an officer specially charged with its care, (unless your own Minnesota be an exception.) If I mistake not, New York was the last of the free states to assign the care of schools to a separate department of the state government.

Some supervisory officer seems specially needed, when the system is yet in its infancy in any state. Once established the local agencies may carry on the work with more or less success, but ultimate success demands that a firm and secure foundation be laid. The experience of every state fully sustains the demands of reason, that the wisest counsel should be sought in inaugurating a school system, and that some one person should be charged with this specific work—a person selected not because of his fitness to manage the executive, the judicial, or the pecuniary interests of the state, but because of his fitness to take charge of the educational interests.

The best talent should be sought. It would be strange indeed, if you have not persons in your own state as well qualified for the post as any that can be found in other states.

I have been compelled to write very hastily that I might answer your wishes as to time.

With sincere respect, I am, sir, yours truly. J. L. PICKARD.

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OFFICE WIS. JOUR. EDUCATION, MADISON, Dec. 25, 1863.

Prof. T. F. Thickstun, Dear Sir:

By your November issue I see that in Minnesota you are endeavoring, as well as we in Wisconsin, to improve your public school system, and this especially by restoring the independent existence of a state superintendence of schools, by creating the office of "a local superintendent of public instruction for each judicial district," and by the continuance and extension of your normal school system. Trusting that the friends of education among you may be successful in procuring the necessary legislation to accomplish these beneficent results, I feel an interest in your success, not only for the sake of your own young and noble state, but because your example may have a good effect upon us.

Permit me, therefore, to express my interest a little more at length by adverting briefly to each of the above measures, as they form the subjects of resolutions passed at the last meeting of your state teachers' association.

The establishment of a department of public instruction, under a proper chief officer, and separate from the civil offices of the state, may be regarded as the settled policy of the educational world. The interests of education are justly regarded as of too important a character to be made an appendage of the office of some civilian, occupying another position. Hence in the great states of New York and Pennsylvania, where this policy once prevailed, a separation was made some years ago, and the distinct office of state superintendent created.

I cannot well divine, therefore, why a different policy has been pursued in your state. If the motive was economy, in a time of increased public burdens, the economy would seem to be misplaced; for "no expenditure is of itself more productive as regards the public revenue than that incurred in public instruction;"—and the cause of education, and thereby of public wealth and public morals, cannot but suffer if so vital a want as an efficient, responsible, active, and experienced head to the public schools of a state is left unprovided. I have not the least doubt, therefore, that your state will soon retract her backward steps in this matter, and I shall rejoice to hear that an energetic, whole-souled, christian man, who is also an experienced educator, and a man of far-seeing, comprehensive views, is placed in charge of your system of public schools. You cannot afford to lose a single year in accomplishing this result.

By all honorable means, therefore induce your legislature to revise their work, and then get the "right man" into the place and keep him there. Whether born east or west, whether an old settler or a new settler, is of little moment, so that he be competent and well fitted for the duties of the position.

I find that I must refrain at this time from saying more than a word about the other two measures referred to; but I feel a deep interest in your plan of creating superintendents for each judicial district. Our state teachers association passed a resolution last summer in favor of a similar measure as you will see by the report of their proceedings; and the resolution connected the idea with that of a co extensive system of normal schools. Hence the resolution also designated the districts proposed to be created as normal districts; and it was further proposed that the superintendents of those districts should constitute with the state superintendent a state board of education, that board to have, as in Iowa, a certain limited legislative power in educational matters. Such a system, with a series of normal schools, would prove most beneficent, I think, to any state which should adopt it.

Trusting that the efforts of yourself and your co-workers in the field of public education may be successful, I remain yours, J. B. PRADT.

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It will gratify the friends of schools that so many papers in the state are advocating a good school system with a state superintendent at its head. We hope there are still more that have a word to say on these subjects. Delay not. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

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H. D. COUNTRYMAN.
Nininger, Jan. 1, 1864. 39-3t*

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[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

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| Canada, | 45 | 55 |

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HASTINGS, Jan. 12, 1864

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| FLOUR, per sack, | $3 00 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 95a98 |
| CORN, do | 70a75 |
| OATS, do | 65a75 |
| POTATOES, do | 50 |
| BEANS, do | 2 50 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 00 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 3 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 6 00a8 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 3 75a4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 00 |
| EGGS, per doz | 15 |
| BUTTER, per lb, | 18a20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15a18 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 6½@7 |
| BEEF, per cwt. | 3½@4 |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8a9 |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5a6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 11@12½ |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15a25 |
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